

BIG BUILDING ON FORT ST.

APARTMENT HOUSE
IS TO BE ERECTED

Mrs. Bowker to Put Up Fine
Structure in the
Spring.

At last evening's meeting of the city council a letter was received from Mrs. Bowker, asking for further time in which to remove a number of dilapidated buildings from Fort street adjoining the Merchants' Exchange saloon. The buildings are utilized as stables and extend through to Broughton street. The legal firm pointed out that their clients intended shortly to build an apartment house on the premises and asked that they be allowed to have until March 31st of next year in order to clear the ground of the buildings. All the buildings were let, and it would be necessary to notify the tenants from January 1st next.

Evidence as to unsanitary nature of the premises was given by City Assessor Northcott and Sanitary Inspector Lancaster. Mr. Northcott said he had been informed on good authority that it was proposed to erect a large apartment house on the premises and that the architect had consulted him about the matter.

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The management of the road will rush the work of repairs with all possible speed, and the delay, while particularly annoying, coming as it does fast on the heels of the recent serious tie-up, cannot be of long duration. Yesterday large gangs of men were set to work at both points where repairs have to be made.

The steamer City of Nanaimo, which left this morning on her regular run to Comox, took freight and passengers for east coast points which would otherwise have gone by the railway, and a steamer service will be maintained just as long as circumstances warrant.

TRAGEDY IN INDIAN VILLAGE.
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FEW WHO WOULD REFUSE OFFICE

MANY CLAMOR FOR
CABINET POSITION

Premier McBride Will Have
Strong Appeals Made to
Him.

Premier McBride has returned from the Kamloops convention and will at once apply himself to the affairs of state requiring attention. Among the first questions that will be forced upon him will be applications for the portfolio, which is to be filled. William Manson, the member for Skeena, backed up by a strong delegation from Prince Rupert, will make his demand for attention at the premier's hand, and Mr. Manson is regarded as a very strong candidate for the office.

H. B. Thomson, of this city, however, is not allowing any opportunity to pass to make his demands felt. There is no dearth of applicants in fact for cabinet rank and of the 33 supporters of the government in the new house it would be no surprise if H. F. W. Benson, of this city, and Alex. McDonald, of Lillooet, are the only non-applicants for the portfolio. It is safe to say that the non-applicants are as few as the government's opposition. W. H. Hayward, of Cowichan, has shown a disposition to forsake his farm and assume office. L. W. Shattford would also sacrifice his private business to serve his country, and H. G. Parsons, the member for Columbia, is in the city as a preliminary step to assuming office if desired. With W. R. Ross, of Fernie; Harry Watson, of Vancouver; Hon. F. Carter-Cotton, of Richmond, and other lesser lights, the premier will have an anxious time deciding upon who shall be taken into the cabinet.

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NEVER TOUCHED HIM.

Small Boy—"Mist'ers you're getting wet!"
The Mayor—"Oh, pshaw. Only newspaper talk! They're always knocking me and the city."

KEARY DEFEATED IN NEW WESTMINSTER

J. A. Lee, President of the
Board of Trade, Elected
Mayor.

New Westminster, Dec. 14.—After the hottest mayoralty campaign that has ever been fought in this city, John A. Lee, president of the board of trade, defeated W. H. Keary, who has held the position of chief magistrate for eight years, by a majority of about 35 votes.

There were 15 candidates for aldermanic honors, and the following were elected: J. K. Johnston, A. W. Gray, C. A. Welsh, J. S. Bryson, H. W. Gilley, J. B. Jardine, J. Carter Smith.

For school trustees—Dr. T. B. Green and T. J. Trap were elected.

It is practically certain that the referendum which places the city under the Municipal Clauses act has carried.

CHAIRMAN APPOINTED.
Ottawa, Dec. 14.—Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King was yesterday appointed chairman of the committee on proportional representation.



KING LEOPOLD,
Who Underwent a Successful Opera-
tion To-day.

REVENUE FROM ANNUITIES.

Ottawa, Dec. 14.—Superintendent of the annuities branch, expects that the revenue for the year will total \$400,000.

KING LEOPOLD UNDERGOES OPERATION

Physicians Declare There is
Likelihood of His Re-
covery.

(Special to the Times.)
Brussels, Dec. 14.—An operation was performed on King Leopold this morning. The operation proved successful and physicians now declare there is a slight chance for the King's recovery.

POLAR CONTROVERSY.
Dr. Grenfell Says He Has Now Lost Faith in Cook.

St. John, N. B., Dec. 14.—Dr. W. T. Grenfell, the Labrador missionary, who spent some hours here yesterday on his way to Newfoundland from the United States with his bride, made a statement relative to the Cook-Pearry polar controversy. He said:

"I am very well acquainted with both Peary and Cook. I confess that at first I, like many others, believed that Dr. Cook had reached the Pole, but I am now like you and everyone else, in view of the overwhelming evidence of his duplicity, persuaded otherwise."



THE MASONIC TEMPLE.

The new home of the A. F. & A. M. which is being dedicated this afternoon.

BRAWL RESULTS IN FATAL FIRE

HUSBAND THROWS
LAMP AT HIS WIFE

Flames Spread in Tenement
and Seven Persons Lose
Their Lives.

(Special to the Times.)
Cincinnati, Dec. 14.—A brawl between a man and his wife was responsible for a fire in a tenement house here in which seven persons were burned to death and three fatally injured.

The husband threw a oil lamp at his wife and the flames spread rapidly. The bodies of the victims were found huddled near the emergency doors which refused to open.

HAMILTON CONVICTED.
Former Adjutant-General of Washing-
ton Found Guilty of Embezzle-
ment.

(Special to the Times.)
Olympia, Wash., Dec. 14.—Ortis Hamilton, former adjutant-general of Washington, has been found guilty on a minor charge of embezzlement of state funds. He will appeal for a new trial.

The sentence is from one to ten years.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.
(Special to the Times.)
Peoria, Dec. 14.—The opera house and jail building were destroyed by fire this morning. The loss amounts to \$200,000.

A turnkey alone took thirty prisoners from the jail, and not one was injured or escaped.

SEEKING OUTLET FOR POPULATION

JAPANESE EMISSARY
TO VISIT ARGENTINE

Dr. Tamimura en Route to That
Country Via New
York.

To promote immigration of Japanese to the Argentine Republic is the work of Dr. Tamimura, a Japanese passenger, who arrived this morning from Yokohama on the steamer Montague and proceeded to Vancouver en route to New York.

Dr. Tamimura is an emissary from the court of Japan, and like all the emissaries from that court has a very smooth tongue and tells to a newspaperman just as much or as little as he thinks fit. His ostensible object in making the visit is to investigate the condition of immigrants in this country, but his real object it is learned is to secure letters of introduction from prominent men in New York to the authorities in Argentina.

Japan is at present seeking an outlet for her surplus population, but at present this is a difficult thing to find. While everyone professes the greatest friendship for that country no one wants them as settlers. The yellow peril is as imminent now as it ever was. A good many have been going to Brazil, but that country is now taking steps to shut them out, and very soon there will be no country to which they will be able to go, with the exception of Argentina.

Dr. Tamimura is an able man. He has received an American education, having graduated from Yale. He has been intimately connected with the Japanese court for some time and will doubtless prove an able emissary. Argentina has never yet raised any objection to the importation of Japanese or Chinese. Should he succeed a large influx of Japanese into that country is looked for.

DISPUTE OVER
RAILWAY LANDS

Appeal by B. B. Angus is Dis-
missed in the Supreme
Court.

(Special to the Times.)
Ottawa, Dec. 14.—The Supreme court yesterday gave judgment in Angus vs. Heinze, a British Columbia case, dismissing the appeal with costs.

The appellants, B. B. Angus and Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, acquired the title to a subsidy of lands of the Columbia and Western railway and agreed to divide them equally between themselves and F. August Heinze. The latter refused to take a conveyance of his share, as upon transfer it would become liable to taxation.

The Supreme court upholds the judgment of the provincial court that by the agreement obtained, the appellants were to hold the title until Heinze formally asked for a conveyance of his share.

ASK ADAMS TO MAKE REPORT

CITY COUNCIL AND
THE BIG RESERVOIR

Lively Debate at Aldermanic
Board's Meeting Last
Night.

Arthur L. Adams, water expert, who advised the city council of the various improvements which were undertaken for the past six years, is to be asked to come to Victoria without expense to the corporation and report on the condition of the Smith's Hill reservoir. Another letter was read from the California engineer at last evening's meeting of the city council, in which Mr. Adams asked to be permitted to place Mr. Kempe in charge of the work of affecting the necessary repairs. The council decided to have nothing to do with Mr. Kempe, though Mr. Adams will be asked to come. It will depend on the will of the board as to whether a gentleman of Mr. Adams' selection will be given the job of repairing the leaky reservoir, or whether the work will be done by the city's own engineering staff.

The debate on the reservoir was a very interesting and lively one. Mayor Hall took occasion to pay his respects to the press, which he said was busy knocking the city and holding the members of the board up as a lot of fools. Ald. Humber created something in the nature of a sensation by declaring that Assistant Engineer Bryson had told him that the reservoir was leaking at a tremendous rate and that it would cost \$35,000 to effect repairs.

On the matter coming up for discussion, the city clerk read the following letter, which had just been received by Mr. Raymur, the water commissioner, from Mr. Adams:

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 8, 1909.
Dear Mr. Raymur—Your recent message leads me to conclude that certain interests in Victoria adverse to the water department of the city, the city administration, and myself, have gaped that headway which makes it imprudent to longer delay taking definite action to secure absence of leakage in the Smith Hill reservoir, even though that delay were warrantable on the score of ascertaining facts desirable in prescribing the best and cheapest remedy. I therefore address you this letter, and through you the honorable mayor and board of aldermen, for the purpose of urging immediate action. The leakage is to be regarded as a construction contingency provided for by special allowance by all engineers in estimating such structures and provided for in my detailed estimate of Smith Hill reservoir, the summary of which has been embodied in my reports.

Because of this fact, because of my professional and special interest as your engineer for some years past in counseling and advising the city in all its dealings with the Esquimalt Water Co.; because of my authorship of the plans and specifications under which the Smith Hill reservoir has been thus far built; because of my acting in a consulting capacity during its construction, and because of what I believe to have been, with the exception of this contingency, the satisfactory results of the professional relations between the city and myself under most difficult and adverse conditions from start to finish, because of all this and more, I feel that I have the right in fairness to myself and in the interest of the citizens of Victoria to expect that the public officials will suspend judgment, resist influenced clamor, and take such steps as may be necessary to make this structure an unqualified success. And I may say that under private ownership, where your handicap of influenced, or misinformed clamor has little power to reach construction policies and methods, the making tight of a leak in a reservoir would be attended to in regular course and that without comment.

I therefore request that the reservoir be again placed in the hands of Mr. Kempe, who did most of the concrete work, and that such remedies as I may recommend in the course of the work to be carried out. This work must be handled by one skilled and known to me to be skilled in such work. Mr. Kempe, I believe, meets these requirements. Furthermore, his previous connection with the structure under the city employ entitled him to the opportunity of bringing it to a successful issue.

ARTHUR L. ADAMS.

Ald. Stewart asked that the other letter received from Mr. Adams a few days ago also be read. This was done. Ald. McKeown opened the debate by declaring he did not know who else was responsible for the condition of the reservoir if it was not Adams. The latter had had full charge, had appointed his own superintendent, and ordered his own material. Now Mr. Adams wanted to send the same engineer up here again. He could not understand why Adams should try to fix responsibility on anybody else but himself. He knew the man he appointed as foreman and must have had confidence in him. Whatever defects had developed in the reservoir, were in the speaker's opinion, due to Mr. Adams and to Mr. Adams alone.

Ald. Bishop asked what had the reservoir cost, and Mr. Raymur, the water commissioner, replied that the actual expenditure was in the neighborhood of \$25,000 though the cost of interest had brought the total expenditure to about \$30,000.

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**PRESS FOR
CONTROLLERS****DEPUTATION INTERVIEWS
THE CITY COUNCIL**

R. L. Drury Explains Some of
Advantages of the
System.

Previous to the regular session of the city council last evening, a deputation of ratepayers, headed by Ald. Hanna, waited on the board and presented a petition praying that the action in postponing the vote on the by-law for the creation of a board of control be reconsidered. R. L. Drury was the spokesman for the deputation and he contended that it was obvious to all that a change in the present system of managing the city's affairs was imperative. The mayor promised that the views of the deputation would receive full consideration, though it is improbable that any further action will be taken by the council this year.

Mr. Drury said it ought to be possible to arrange to place the responsibility somewhere. Just now that could not be done. The ratepayers look to their representatives on the board to see that the affairs of the city are properly administered, but take the case of the chairman of the streets, sewers and bridges committee. He had given a lot of his time to the affairs of the city, but it was no injustice to him to say that if he were asked to accept responsibility for the condition of the streets he would say no. Mr. Drury was very sure that the public was fair enough not to demand responsibility from such representative who could not be expected to give all his time to seeing that work was properly carried out. But was it not clear that if there was in his place some permanent official who would be paid a salary to give all his time to the work that responsibility could be fixed, and that this responsibility could not be shirked?

It had been said in some quarters that controllers would not be able to work to advantage unless they were experts. He dissented from that view. As an illustration he cited the success which attended the management of big private enterprises. The Empress hotel for instance was successfully managed by a man who did not know how to run the kitchen, but the directors of the company would nevertheless hold him responsible for the success of the whole institution.

Mr. Drury had the other evening heard one of the majority candidates say that the mayor and aldermen were the same as the president and directors of a company and should not interfere with the heads of the departments. He had afterwards spoken to him about this, pointing out that there was no case on record where the president and directors ever dispensed with the services of a manager. They were to have to find some person to accept responsibility. It was quite impossible to define exactly what were the duties of a manager, yet such a man had it in his power to wreck the affairs of any company, or, on the other hand, to achieve a huge success. Thus the city should have a man in close touch with all the affairs of the city. He claimed that controllers would have a knowledge of the workings of every department and thus the people would be able to fix responsibility, and the controllers could assert their authority.

Mr. Drury cited the experience of other cities in Canada where the board of control system had worked to great advantage. In Toronto the office of controller was considered a stepping stone to the position of mayor—there was a well-beaten path from the position of alderman to mayor via the controllership. He strongly urged that Victoria should adopt the system. "Certainly things could not be worse than they are," declared Mr. Drury.

Ald. McKee—Quite a compliment, I must say.
Wm. Oliphant, a member of the deputation, was the next speaker. He cited the experience of Edmonton, where he used to live, to illustrate how splendid was the board of control system. They had never had a bit of satisfaction in the management of their city work until they had got controllers. They appointed two and paid them \$2,500 per year and they gave every satisfaction. Mr. Oliphant contended that the board would be making no mistake if it decided that Victoria would get in line with the other progressive cities in Canada. He felt sure that the system would prove not only a blessing to Victoria but a blessing to the board of aldermen, as the latter's duties would not be so onerous as at present.

Mr. Hanna, who was called on by the mayor, said he was assured by Mr. Taylor, the city barrister, that the act contained all that was necessary for the by-law. If there were certain flaws it was in the province of the aldermen to amend it where necessary. He felt that the citizens wished to vote on the proposal at the earliest possible date, and he urged that the board should reconsider its decision.

Mayor Hall said that all the members of the board were agreed that the matter should be placed before the citizens at the earliest possible date, but before that was done the by-law must be in proper shape, and as there were some defects in the act it was considered advisable to ask the Union



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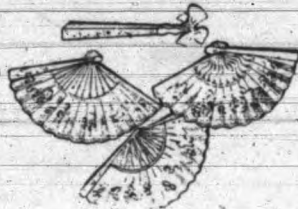
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of Municipalities to see to it that necessary amendments were obtained at the approaching session of the legislature. The people could pass on the by-law during next year and then the board could be created in 1911.

Mr. Hanna remarked that the people did not want to lose a year and hence the petition to the board now.

A. B. McNeill asked why the board did not give the people a chance to vote on the principle of the measure now.

Mayor Hall explained that the date for bringing it into effect would have to be fixed in the by-law or else another vote would have to be taken. Mr. Taylor had said that only such by-law as the act covers could be placed before the people.

The deputation then withdrew, being assured that their views would receive consideration at the hands of the board.

**MCCURDY FLIES EIGHT
MILES IN AIRSHIP**

Ascends About 250 Feet in Air
—His Cottage Destroyed
During Flight.

Baddeck, C. B., Dec. 14.—J. D. McCurdy, of the Canadian aerodrome, made a remarkable flight at daybreak yesterday. The biplane took the air easily after travelling about one hundred yards on the frozen ground. McCurdy gradually ascended until he was about two hundred and fifty feet in the air. He circled the meadow four times at this elevation, covering eight miles in all.

While the party were at Big Baddeck, witnessing the flight, Mr. Baldwin's cottage on Belinn Breagh was completely demolished by fire. The fire was caused from a blaze in the back room from a radiator pipe. The house was burned to the ground. Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin lost all their wedding presents, together with many valuable scientific records.

FATAL GAME OF MARBLES.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 14.—As the alleged result of a blow on the temple, alleged to have been struck by Troman Edwards, a 15-year-old boy, following an altercation over a game of marbles, Wesley Haughton, aged 11 years, died yesterday.

According to the story told by the mother of the dead child, the two lads fought yesterday afternoon. Shortly

afterward her son came into the house and lay down on a couch. He said Edwards had struck him on the temple with his fist. Later the boy became ill and finally went into convulsions, from which he died, despite the efforts of a corps of physicians to save him.

**WHITE PLAGUE IS
DISCUSSED IN COMMONS**

House Will Be Asked to Vote
Larger Sum to Aid in
Fight.

Ottawa, Dec. 14.—Practically the whole of yesterday's sitting of the Commons was monopolized by a discussion of the evils of and remedies for tuberculosis. That so much should be spent upon the fight against tuberculosis in cattle by the Dominion government and so little to save human beings from the ravages of the same disease was commented upon by several of the speakers as unworthy of our present day civilization.

The resolution, which was introduced by George Perley, was discussed by a number of the medical men of the House. Dr. Schaffner, of Souris; Dr. Paquet, of L'Islet, and Dr. Sproule, of East Grey, continued the debate.

H. H. Miller, South Grey, ex-president of the Canadian Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis, presented the report of the association.

Hon. Sydney Fisher concluded the debate. He accepted the resolution for the government, and said that the House would be asked for a larger grant to the association. However, the provinces were now beginning to play their parts, and it would be unwise for the federal government to enter the field. In defending the government against the charge that more money was spent on preserving the health of animals than that of human beings, he said the one really had to do with the other. While protecting animals they were protecting human life. To-day not ten per cent. of the cases were due to tuberculosis milk. The resolution carried without a division.

**TWO KILLED IN
PECULIAR ACCIDENT**

Four Others Are Injured When
Cars Are Wrecked By
Loose Rail.

Chicago, Dec. 14.—Two immigrants were killed and three men and one woman injured in a peculiar accident to a northbound Chicago and Northwestern-railway passenger train in the northern part of the city. The tracks had been elevated recently, and as the train passed a rail was torn loose. It ripped through the floor of the baggage car and through the smoker. In the smoker the torn up rail, killed two immigrants. The engineer and fireman were injured. An immigrant woman and a man were also injured.

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CIVIC AFFAIRS.

The press, says Ald. Stewart, has been holding up the aldermen as a pack of fools and giving the council a black eye.

As far as the Times is concerned, there is absolutely no warrant for the statement of Ald. Stewart. We have not held the aldermen up to public ridicule as a pack of fools, and if it is to state the facts as they appear on evidence is to give the council a black eye, then that body deserves to appear before the public with discolored optics.

We do not believe, much less do we state, that the aldermen are a pack of fools. We know that in point of intelligence they measure up to a very high average. In regard to their integrity there is not a breath of suspicion. We unhesitatingly say that in these respects it is doubtful whether Victoria ever had a better council.

Nevertheless there is no doubt of the fact that somewhere in the municipality there is incapacity. The condition of the streets, the state of the reservoir, the failure of the salt water fire protection system, and many other results of inefficiency, all bear testimony to the fact.

And, with the single exception of the Mayor, possibly, it is a curious thing that all the members of the council privately admit that costly mistakes have been made in the administration of the city's works department. It is only when they convene in council that they talk of the mischievous effects of publicity, "giving the council a black eye," and "knocking the city."

When the Smith's Hill reservoir was under construction the Times received communication after communication alleging that the work was not being properly done, that serious mistakes were being made in the methods of laying the concrete, that the plans were not in accordance with accepted standards, and that events would prove the soundness of the critics' views.

We refused to publish these letters, giving as reasons, therefore, the fact that the council had placed the work in competent hands, and that for the time being there its responsibility ended.

That work is finished. Will any member of the Board of Aldermen assume the responsibility of saying that it is satisfactory—that it will serve in all respects the end for which it was designed? It cannot be filled. If it is not absolutely useless, it is of very little value. It cannot be made to fulfil the purpose for which it was built except at an expenditure of many thousands of dollars, how many thousands no engineer will at present undertake to say.

The facts are admitted; but we are told it is "knocking the city" to make them public. Has not the public a right to know the facts? Is it not entitled to information as to whether the money taken from its pockets in taxation—in ever increasing taxation at that—has been wisely spent or has been wasted? Does any alderman mean to say if there were no newspapers and the ratepayers were informed, the information desired could be refused?

As we have said, the council of 1909 is probably as good as a council individually as Victoria has ever had. But it has made two serious mistakes, probably guided by weak counsel. It has endeavored to conceal facts which are apparent to every one who has eyes and uses them, and it has tried to shuffle out of responsibility which plainly rests upon its shoulders.

No one assumes to hold the members of the council directly responsible for mistakes and blunders. But it stands between the people and the officials who make mistakes and blunders. The people will hold it responsible if it fails to establish the direct responsibility and to act as any privately conducted concern would act under similar circumstances.

Until that principle is the conduct

of Victoria's municipal affairs is accepted and established, it will be vain to look for any improvement. The creation of a board of control would not mechanically bring about a reformation. The city council is just as directly responsible to the people as a board of control would be. No member of a board of control, unless he were an expert in every department of labor, professional and mechanical, having to do with the construction of a reservoir, could have checked the operations at Smith's Hill and saved the city the cost it will have to assume to render that basin fit for service. The duty now at hand can be discharged just as effectively by the city council as by a board of control. The present council understand perfectly well what that duty is. Will it have the courage to do it?

INTERESTS DRAWING CLOSER.

Miss Agnes Deans Cameron, not unknown in Victoria, is going to the Old Country to tell the readers of the London Daily Mail what she knows about Canada. Mr. J. S. Willison, one of the foremost newspaper men of Canada, and formerly editor in chief of the Toronto Globe, is on his way to the Old Country in connection with a scheme of Lord Northcliffe, proprietor of the London Times and other newspapers, to keep the people of Great Britain and Canada better informed upon all matters relating to the well-being of the Empire. Mr. Stewart Lyon, one of the editors of the Toronto Globe, has been delegated to proceed to Great Britain for the purpose of noting at first hand the progress of the most momentous political campaign, probably, that has ever been fought in the history of the country. Evidently the interests of the Mother Country, and the chief of her daughter states are considered as becoming more intimate and important. The London Times believes the time has come when the public of Great Britain should be thoroughly informed upon the political and the material progress of this country; the Toronto Globe, which in Canada occupies a position analogous to that of the Times in the Old Country, thinks the people of Canada should have authentic information in regard to the fierce struggle now proceeding in Great Britain for constitutional liberty. The Daily Mail, the Times and the Globe are all to be congratulated on the enterprise they are displaying and Canada is to be congratulated upon having produced three writers and journalists of such recognized capacity. But we do hope Miss Cameron will not come back inoculated with the suffragette virus.

The real "knockers" of Victoria are the men clothed in authority who have not the strength to efficiently fill the positions to which they have been elected, not the newspapers which do their best to ferret out the truth and place it before the public. The system of repression of facts is at the bottom of all the slackness in municipal methods. The ratepayers of the city have dealt generously with the present council. Not a dollar estimated as necessary to carry out pressing improvements has been withheld. The people who voted that money have a perfect right to know what use has been made of it. If the Smith's Hill reservoir is all right or can be made all right at a trifling expenditure, the facts can surely be easily determined. It is the suppression of the facts that is setting all the wild rumors in circulation about breakdowns in other civic works. It is always the best policy to be frank with the people and to trust them to saddle responsibility on the proper shoulders.

There was a time when the press of the United States held up to public opprobrium, as they thought, all citizens of that country who came under their attention as becoming British subjects. The newspapers do not do that now. They are taking a more liberal and more enlightened and less prejudiced view, perhaps. Or it may be that the movement is becoming so pronounced as to be considered unworthy of special remark. The Ottawa Citizen points out that during the past year nine thousand former citizens of the republic signified their intention of becoming subjects of King Edward. It is a good record; but it will be excelled this year. It is a pretty good proposition when this Western Canada of ours can secure to us the very class of people whom we want and who have "the stuff" to make good. And they are all now very good Canadians.

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AGREEMENT FOR A UNITED ARMY

OFFICIAL PAPERS ON DEFENCE CONFERENCE

Decisions Accepted as to Army-Naval Decisions—Empire and Sea Power.

The papers concerning the Imperial Conference on Defence have been issued, says the London Standard, and give details of the proposals involved.

The formation of a common army of the Empire, as well as the creation of an Imperial general staff (now in hand) and naval co-operation, both of which latter subjects have been fully dealt with already in parliament.

The question of military defence was discussed, particularly with reference to a general staff paper circulated for the consideration of the conference, entitled "Proposals for so organizing the military forces of the Empire as to ensure their effective co-operation in the event of war." The representatives of the self-governing dominions signified their general concurrence in the proposition "that each part of the Empire is willing to make its preparations on such lines as will enable it, should it so desire, to take its share in the general defence of the Empire."

The fundamental principles approved include a recommendation that, without impairing the complete control of the government of each dominion over the military forces raised within it, these forces should be raised, standardized, the formation of units, the arrangements for transport, and the patterns of weapons being, as far as possible, assimilated to those which have recently been worked out for the British army. Thus, while the dominion troops would in each case be raised for the defence of the dominion concerned, it would be made readily practicable in case of need for that dominion to mobilize and use them for the defence of the Empire as a whole.

The dominions are, therefore, to consider and work out a policy by means of which the units of their existing forces will be so organized as to be capable of mobilizing at the war establishments of corresponding units in the United Kingdom, so that, should circumstances demand it, a proportion of these forces could be made available for Imperial purposes. It is hoped that the development of the forces of the dominions during the next few years will enable their respective governments to consider the whole question of the numbers that might be made available for Imperial service, always remembering that a passive defence is no defence.

Empire and Sea Power.

The general staff paper referred to above states that the forces of the Empire number 1,200,000, but many of these are localised for defence. The army of offence is small, and the dominions are agreed to combine into an effective instrument to bring full striking power to bear on the decisive point. Without a combined organization we cannot do this. The paper goes on as follows:

"The dominions have shown their appreciation of the foregoing principles by their desire to share in the burden imposed by naval armaments, and by their endeavor to organize efficient local forces. The assembly of this conference is a signal proof, if proof were needed, that the citizens of Great Britain are now alive to the vital necessity of sea power, and that they realize that without it co-operation in war would be impossible, and the dissolution of our scattered Empire inevitable. The risk of such a disaster must be avoided at all costs. It seems almost certain that, if the United Kingdom, with the aid of her daughter nations, can successfully maintain her maritime position, if the Empire continues to increase in military strength proportionately to its growth in wealth and population, and if we can organize some comprehensive system of Imperial strategy based upon the idea of mutual support by land and sea, the time cannot be far distant when we shall be practically unassailable."

The case of a world-wide power without naval protection, would be like the British Empire, our armies, chained to their own shores, unable to move to the point of danger or to co-operate in any way. Similarly, our fleets, without the support of sufficiently numerous and adequately trained defensive armies, would be fettered in their action by the want of a naval base and by the fear of a devastating population, whilst, without strong and well-organized military forces available for expeditionary action, we should be powerless to protect our land frontiers, to co-operate with an allied power, to carry a war into an enemy's country, or to bring it to a decisive issue."

The accepted points are as follows: 1. That the war establishments of the home regular army should be augmented on the basis on which the or-

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The naval details were outlined by Mr. Asquith in the House of Commons on August 25th, especially with regard to the new Pacific fleet, which is to be made up in units as follows:

East Indies division—1 armed cruiser, 3 unarmored cruisers, 6 destroyers and 3 submarines.
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The regular meeting of Victoria Loyal True Blue Association will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 15th. All members are requested to be present, as there are candidates to be initiated. After initiation a social time is looked for. Visitors are welcome. The meeting will be held in the A. O. F. hall, corner Pandora and Broad streets.

Patrons of the Victoria theatre last evening were met with a refund of their money, but the cause of this, far from being the fault of the management, was a distinct credit to it. When the films for the first part of the week were run through the bioscope for test it was found that several of them had been seen here before. Manager Denham, whose distinct policy it is that the films shown on picture evenings shall be not only the best to be had but shall be distinctly original, took exception. Until an assurance can be had from the firm supplying the films that entirely new scenes are to be supplied at each change the picture evenings will be discontinued. Mr. Denham expects that arrangements can be completed shortly to this end.

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Appeal Court to Consider Case of Men Awaiting Death at Clinton.

One of the criminal cases to come before the Court of Appeal when it holds its first sitting here on January 10 is the reserve case regarding Robert Walker, a white man, and William Chinios, an Indian. These men are under sentence of death for the murder of an Indian woman named Agnes, who was killed in a brutal fashion on the reservation at Quesnel.

The execution was to take place on Friday next, but in view of the reserve case, which was granted by Mr. Justice Morrison, the trial judge, a reprieve to February 20th has been allowed. The crown case was conducted by the attorney-general in person at this trial, while the accused were defended by Stuart Henderson. The latter objected to the admission of an ante-mortem statement and the legal position as to the admissibility of this will be argued before the Court of Appeal.

All members of the Victoria Hockey Club are requested to attend a meeting to be held this evening at 8 o'clock in the Institute hall for the purpose of decorating and preparing the hall for the concert to be held to-morrow evening.

The North Ward Athletic Club will hold its winter dance in the A. O. U. W. hall to-night. A large number of tickets have been sold, and a good time is anticipated. All arrangements have now been made by those in charge. At the close of the dance a supper will be served.

The final lecture of the course at Emmanuel Baptist church will be given to-night on The French Revolution, by the pastor, Rev. William Stevenson. Ex-Mayor Morley will take the chair at 8 p. m. Tickets may be had at the door.

Instructions have been received at the local office of the Western Union Telegraph Company to remain open at nights until further notice. Owing to the extra business which develops at this time of the year it has been found necessary to take this step.

Patrons of the Empress theatre were delightedly surprised last Saturday when Miss Thekla Davis made her first appearance before a Victoria audience. Miss Davis has a clear, strong voice which is exceedingly sweet. The management are to be congratulated on procuring such a good vocalist. To-day she is singing "What the Rose Said."

A social and dance will be given by the Companions of the Forest on Thursday evening in the new Foresters' hall, Broad street. This affair is being held in honor of the opening of the new hall, which has just recently been leased by the order. An excellent programme of musical selections has been prepared, and many speeches will be given by members of the order. All Foresters and their friends are invited to be present, and a good time is promised all those who attend.

M. K. Jull, poultry commissioner for this province, left on Sunday last for Ganges Harbor, where he will address the Farmers' Institute this evening on questions connected with poultry. To-morrow he will visit many of the poultry farms on Salt Spring Island, and on Thursday he will travel to Pender Island. On the evening of Thursday he will address a meeting at Mayne Island. Mr. Jull is imparting a great deal of knowledge to the farmers engaged in this industry.

The following donations have been thankfully received at the Aged Women's Home, for November: Mr. Dolg, \$50; Mr. A. S., \$5; Bishop Cridge, \$2; Mrs. Evans, pears; Mrs. T. A. Ker, clothing; Mrs. T. J. Burns, box of apples; the Misses Ellis, lettuce, and grapes; Protestant Orphanage committee, cakes; Mrs. Mulholland, oat cakes and scones; Mrs. Clay (Fort St.), sandwiches; Mrs. McTavish, (sr.), caps and bed socks; Rev. Mr. Grundy, two chairs; Weller Bros., loan of tables and chairs.

To say that everyone was delighted with last night's concert, given under the auspices of the St. Andrew's church, Young People's Society, is putting it mildly. Each of the thirteen pieces of the programme were exceedingly well rendered, and were greeted with great applause. To pick out the best numbers would be an almost impossible task, as all were of the best. The Plover orchestra gave three selections, which were very much enjoyed. Mrs. Longfield, Miss Roblin and Miss Blakey each sang in their usual good style, while Miss Bell, Miss Russell and Miss Hewlings contributed piano solos in pleasing style. Mr. Longfield was heard to great advantage in a violin solo. Messrs. Morris, Melville and Griffiths each delighted the audience with well rendered songs. C. C. Mechner acted as chairman.

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Speeches ringing with loyalty to the empire and the old flag were made, stirring songs were rendered and an enjoyable evening was spent by the large gathering.

George Jay, past president, was a splendid chairman. He proposed the loyal toasts after an excellent dinner had been disposed of, and these were drunk with all the honors.

"The Imperial and Colonial Forces" was proposed by W. P. Allen, past president, and responded to by Lieutenants T. D. Vetch and R. P. Clarke, of the Fifth Regiment, "Sons and Daughters of England" was proposed by C. F. Beaven, and the reply was by Bro. J. Hillier, and Savage. The toast of the Dominion and Provincial parliaments was given by A. Lees and James Critchley responded. G. W. Hall proposed a toast to the city council, responded to by Mayor Hall. The health of the host and hostess was proposed by J. Chadwick and Mr. Davis replied.

The musical portion of the programme was contributed to by J. Symons, J. G. Millet and W. Williams. The National Anthem brought the evening to a close.

FOR LONDON'S POOR.

Contributions Made Locally to Furnish Dinner to Ragged School Children.

Liberal subscriptions in aid of the Christmas dinner to London's poor are coming in steadily to A. J. Brace, of the Y. M. C. A., who represents the local branch of the Shaftesbury Society in this work. The money will be cabled in time to be available for the purposes intended. Already the following sums have been donated: L. \$2; H. R. Sellick, 50c; Mrs. A. E. H. 50c; Mrs. Tubb, \$2; Mrs. Dixon, \$2; Tom and Nellie, \$1; Misses Fraser, \$1; F. F. Hedger, \$2; Mrs. P. \$2; Beaumont, 50c; Sympson, \$2; Mrs. H. Sellick, \$1; Mr. and Mrs. Gillespie, \$5; D. S. and E. Gillespie, \$2.50; S. \$1; Waverley, \$1; J. A. L. \$1; C. P. Bennett, 50c; First Congregational Y. M. C. class, \$2; A. J. C. Gellatly, \$5 per Mrs. Hollyer, \$11; per Stewart Williams, R. Boulton 25c, children of Mrs. Honey 25c, children of Mrs. Meredith 25c, children of Mr. Goodacre 50c, children of J. Savannah 50c, J. M. Meldrum 50c, J. C. M. Keith 50c, J. Turner 50c, R. W. Meldrum 50c, Miss M. Rhodes 25c, Miss E. Rhodes 25c, children of Mrs. Muckett 25c, anonymous \$11.25—\$16; Esquimaux Methodist S. S., \$4.40; Spring Ridge Baptist boys' class, \$5; A. Friend, \$1; G. Hillier, \$2; H. Savage, 50c; J. Chadwick, 50c; Mrs. Harris, \$2; Clarence and Dorothy, 50c; per Mrs. Jas. Green, \$7.35; Emmanuel Baptist S. S., \$10.50; Burnside Baptist S. S., \$16.00; Dick Cole, 50c; Mrs. Innes' children, \$1.50; A. W. McCurdy, \$1; George Barr, \$1; St. John's C. E. S. S., \$12; St. Andrew's Presbyterian S. S., \$5; Christ Church S. S., \$12.25; Spring Ridge Methodist S. S., \$19; St. Paul's C. E. S. S., Esquimaux, \$4.30; Gospel Hall, Pandora street, S. S., \$13; total, \$185.30.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 14, 5 a. m.—A vast area of high pressure, now central over British Columbia and Washington, covers the entire region from the Yukon southward to Arizona and from the Pacific eastward to the Mississippi. Rain has fallen on the Lower Mainland and at Port Simpson, but the weather on the North Pacific slope is generally fair, with normal temperatures. East of the Rockies snow is falling in the southern parts of the prairie provinces and temperatures are decreasing.

Forecast: For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Wednesday. Victoria and vicinity—Light to moderate northerly winds, generally fair, with frost at night.

Lower Mainland—Light to moderate winds, generally fair, with frost at night.

Reports: Victoria—Barometer, 30.61; temperature, 36; minimum, 22; wind, 8 miles N.; weather, clear.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.64; temperature, 34; minimum, 24; wind, 4 miles W.; rain, .06; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.65; temperature, 30; minimum, 20; wind, 4 miles S. W.; weather, clear.

Barkerville—Barometer, 30.50; temperature, 31; minimum, 24; wind, calm; weather, clear.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.04; temperature, 48; minimum, 46; wind, 18 miles N.; weather, clear.

Port Simpson—Barometer, 30.44; temperature, 42; minimum, 34; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Edmonton—Barometer, 30.35; temperature, 18; minimum, 4; wind, 4 miles E.; weather, clear.

Winnipeg—Barometer, 30.00; temperature, 18; minimum, 16; wind, 20 miles S.W.; snow, .06; weather, snowing.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Kate Wallace will take place to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock from the family residence, 1116 Fort street, and at 2.30 o'clock at Christ Church cathedral.

A special committee of the board of trade, with J. J. Shalloons as chairman, is considering the insurance bill now before parliament. It will be some days before it has a report ready to submit to the council of the board.

To-morrow evening an entertainment will take place in the Y. M. C. A. hall at 8 o'clock, under the auspices of the Ladies of the W. C. T. U. It will be attractive, amusing, interesting and instructive, and essays will be read on the Woman's Emancipation Movement from thirteen different countries, by young ladies dressed in the respective costumes from the country they represent. Another feature in the entertainment will be a drill by thirteen young ladies entitled "The Shepherd's Drill," which is being put on by request. At the close the prizes will be presented to the successful contestants in the recent school essay contest.

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APPROACH OF THE HOLIDAY SEASON

Opportunities Afforded for As- sisting in Making Others Happy.

Preparations are being made for spending Christmas holidays. This season, which means to as many as possible, the reunion of families and the gatherings of old friends, will be celebrated in Victoria in good old English style. There will be large numbers of family gatherings, but there are always a few who are unable to meet with the rest of their blood relations. These have usually gathered around them a number of others who are in like situation, or will be admitted to some family circle. In the West friendships are quickly made and there will be few but have some merry group of which they can form a part.

This is the time when those who have already made their own festive arrangements may well look around and see what they can do towards making the few lonely ones as happy as themselves. The good people of the Friendly Help Society are busy themselves with providing for the material wants of those who are needy, but there is something which this society cannot do which often can be done by individuals. The strangers in the city can well be looked after. There is no season of the year like this for extending the hand of friendship to those who have recently arrived here and who have no circle of friends to welcome them.

A number of Victorians will be leaving the city to join friends or relatives in Vancouver, Seattle, or more distant points. The railways are giving special rates of a fare and a third for those who return within a reasonable time, and the steamboats will charge only \$2.50 for the return trip to the neighboring cities.

The fact that Christmas Day comes on Saturday this year gives an extra day on which to celebrate, and allows many to go out of town who otherwise would not have been able to do so. Next Friday the schools close, thus giving a week in which to prepare.

The fact that most Victorians are prosperous this year insures that the season will be one of the jolliest that has ever been celebrated here.

"GIRL AT THE HELM"

Musical Comedy That Comes on Friday Night.

H. H. Frazee's big musical comedy classic, "A Girl at the Helm," will be offered at the Victoria theatre on Friday, with Billy Clifford and a host of helpers, principally pretty girls. The cast of principals, has been carefully selected and includes among others Marguerite De Von, Hilda Mason, Mable Palmer, Harry Dickson and Jack Trainor.

"A Girl at the Helm" is a distinct departure from the ordinary musical comedy, in that its music is exquisite, the book consistent, funny and clever and the ensemble numbers are delightfully artistic.

There are surprises without agitation and a commendable plot with amusing situations put at all dependent on the music and dancing.

The garnishing of the play lies not alone in its splendid dainty chorus, its scenery and the motor boat race, but in the fairy-like electric effects with which its producer, H. H. Frazee, has so cleverly clothed it. "A Girl at the Helm" is high class, dainty, like its chorus and makes and retains a good impression.

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Social and Personal

H. Graham left for the Terminal city
last night.H. S. Griffith is on a business trip
to Seattle.Mrs. Watson is visiting friends in
Vancouver.J. H. Poff and wife, of Vancouver,
are in the city.H. G. Parsons, M. P. P., of Golden,
is at the Empress.A. J. Brace went over to Seattle last
night on business.J. L. Brown was a passenger last
night for Vancouver.F. B. Springer was a passenger last
night for Vancouver.Miss Oliver of this city, is visiting
friends in Vancouver.A. W. Johnson left on a business trip
to Vancouver last night.H. G. Wilson left last night for Van-
couver on a business trip.E. A. Morris is spending several days
in Vancouver on business.J. A. Fullerton, of the C. P. R. steam-
ship service, is in the city.E. J. Galt sailed for Seattle on the
Princess Victoria last night.John Cochran has moved into his
new home on Linden avenue.Thomas Hooper went over to Van-
couver last night on a business trip.J. W. Balfour and R. L. Reid were
passengers for Vancouver last night.Miss Blakemore is spending several
days in Vancouver visiting friends.F. C. Gamble crossed over to the
mainland last night on the Princess
Charlotte.Mr. Justice Morrison went over to
Vancouver last night on the Princess
Charlotte.A. S. McDonald and M. Scott were
among the passengers for the mainland
last night.L. J. Snapp was among last night's
passengers for Vancouver on the Prin-
cess Charlotte.Mrs. D. Madden will be at home to
her friends in her new cottage, 835
Flagstaff street.B. Green, of Vancouver, after spend-
ing a number of days in this city, left
last night for the Terminal city.W. H. P. Phipps of New Westmin-
ster, who has been spending some time
in this city, left last night for Van-
couver.Mrs. James M. Mellis, 113 Ladysmith
street, will not receive as usual on
Wednesday, 15th inst. but on every
third Wednesday hereafter.

NEW GRAND THEATRE.

Gertrude Van Dyke, a young woman
with a piquant face and a charming
presence, appeared at the New Grand
theatre yesterday in a very novel
little tabloid musical comedy or comic
opera in which she impersonated
the prima donna, the ingenue, the
soubrette and at the finale the lead-
ing man and the prima donna ren-
dering a love romance. In this last
number she sings with two different
voices, a light soprano for the woman,
and a deep baritone for the man. The
audiences were more than delighted
with her singing and it was very dif-
ficult to say which voice they were
most pleased with. Miss Van Dyke
changes her costume in full view of
the audience, and the manner in
which she does it proves very unique
and interesting.

Two unusually clever contortionists
are the Whitman Brothers, who well
deserve their title of "the flexible
wonders." As contortionists they are
unequaled and to see them bend and
twist themselves into all sorts of knots
shows that they must be boneless. One
of them appears as a frog and the
other as an alligator, and their feats
are certainly weird in the extreme.
Their setting, which represents Sun-
rise in the African jungles, is unusu-
ally handsome, and adds a great
deal to the effect of the act.

A merry pot-pourri of singing,
dancing and talking is offered by
John Carl Robich and Maxine Child-
ress in their offering entitled, "A
Strenuous Pupil." Mr. Robich takes
the part of an eccentric professor and
Miss Childress that of a young woman
and her precocious child, with a
bright smile, and she knows how to
dance in an entertaining manner.
The former sings a couple of songs in
a first class style and is also a good
dancer.

Ray Fern, singing comedian, offered
three numbers and was accorded a
hearty reception. He has a good
voice specially adapted to "coon"
songs, as was shown in his imitation
of Bert Williams' singing "That's
Plenty," and another dark ditty.

The McLinn Brothers, triple hori-
zontal bar artists, offer some good
work in that line and execute several
tricks that are really new. The
straight acrobatic man carries out all
his work in a commendable manner,
and the other obtains plenty of
laughs with his singing.

The song sung by Thomas J. Price,
and the pictures, are good, also mak-
ing a first rate bill from beginning to
end.

—I. Waxstock, Broad street hall, will
have every accommodation possible
when the present contract is finished,
which is nearing completion rapidly, its
new features being a dining hall and
balcony, dress rooms, and former dress
rooms will be turned into spacious sit-
ting room for spectators. The hall be-
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"THE SOUL KISS"

Nonsensical Comedy is to Be Put on
at Victoria Theatre This Week.

When "The Soul Kiss," the New York
musical comedy success which has to
its credit a run of three hundred per-
formances in that city, comes to the
Victoria theatre on Thursday night,
local theatre-goers will turn green
with envy over having to wait so long
to catch a glimpse of this amusing
musical entertainment. Its comedy is
light and nonsensical and its score
tuneful. The production has the ele-
ments that should give it vogue with
the audience seeking entertainment
without verbal diagrams.

The leading role in the piece is called
"The Dancer," for this Mile. Pertina
has been engaged. She is the dancer
who has caused a sensation through all
the principal cities of continental Eu-
rope by her marvellous dancing. In
support of Mile. Pertina, a company
of seventy-five fun-makers will be
found, including a dazzling beauty
chorus of forty, while the rich coloring
and brisk action of the musical num-
bers are bound to leave a good im-
pression upon its audiences.

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SEQUEL TO SALE OF CHURCH SITE

MEMBER SUES AGENT FOR HALF COMMISSION

Real Estate Agents Deny Any Arrangement to Divide Up.

A case with a good many amusing features occupied the attention of Judge Lammman in County court this morning. James Middleton sued H. P. Winsby and E. J. Cameron for \$187.50, being one-half of the 5 per cent. commission which the defendants got on the sale of a lot by W. J. Pendray to the First Baptist church. The defence was a complete denial of any arrangement to halve commission with the plaintiff.

J. A. Alkman and D. S. Tait appeared for the plaintiff and R. T. Elliott, K. C., for the defendants.

The plaintiff told the court that on May 20th he met Cameron and in course of conversation mentioned that the church was looking for a site. Cameron showed him the lot on the northwest corner of Pandora and Quadra, and told him that if he could get a deal put through they would halve the commission. Later, he said, Cameron mentioned that Winsby was agreeable to this. Some of the congregation at first favored the old Herald street site, but this did not suit the majority, and eventually the Pendray site was chosen. When he went to Winsby & Cameron in regard to the commission he only was offered one-third, \$11 odd, they saying they had to divide up with R. R. Brown.

"Is this a legal transaction?" asked the judge. "Assuming the plaintiff's story to be true, is this not rather a bribe than a commission? It sounds illegal; it does not sound right."

To Mr. Elliott plaintiff said he had seen J. L. Beckwith and others about the Pendray site, and they thought it just the thing they had been looking for. He told the congregation it was the best thing available as to site and price.

Mr. Elliott—Did you tell them you were going to get a commission?—No, I hadn't got it.

Did you tell them you were going to get it?—No.

Did you tell Mr. Beckwith you were going to get it?—No.

Mr. Elliott pointed out that according to a receipt put in plaintiff had paid \$25 on the property before it was decided by the congregation to purchase it.

Judge Lammman elicited from the plaintiff that he was now a real estate agent himself. There were four sites before the congregation, put forward by members who were real estate agents.

"Poor church!" commented his honor. D. S. Tait told of the efforts he had made on behalf of plaintiff to secure the full half of the commission.

John C. Pendray gave evidence as to his father's sale of the property for \$7,500, and F. R. Brown, who handles most of Mr. Pendray's property, spoke of getting one-third of the commission. Mr. Elliott asked for a non-suit, on the ground that this was a secret commission and contrary to the terms of the Secret Commissions Act, passed by parliament last session following the marine department inquiry.

Mr. Alkman held that it could not apply in this case, which was a perfectly regular one of sale through a sub-agent.

His honor reserved the point. Both defendants were examined, and denied any promise of a commission to Middleton. Defendant Cameron said plaintiff remarked that "some of the directors of the church will want a piece of the commission, for they are pulling for another site." All he had said to Middleton about commission was that he might have to divide with another, meaning Mr. Brown. He intimated that plaintiff's share in getting this property chosen was a small one.

Legal argument will be heard some day next week.

PROBE HOSPITAL AFFAIRS TO-MORROW

Board of Health Enquiry Into Conditions at Isolation Hospital.

A special meeting of the civic board of health has been summoned for tomorrow evening for the purpose of enquiring into the affairs of the isolation hospital, which for some time have been exercising the board. An enquiry was held some weeks ago, and it was believed that all causes of friction had been removed. At that time there was a difference of opinion between the matron, Mrs. King, and the medical health officer, Dr. Herman F. Robertson, in respect to the system of engaging the nurses. As an order was made that Dr. Robertson should be empowered to have sole authority as to the engaging and discharging of the nurses and since that date Mrs. King is said to have observed the rule strictly.

At the enquiry to be held to-morrow evening Dr. Robertson and the matron are to be asked to be in attendance.

TIMES BUILDING

HAS BEEN SOLD

David Spencer & Co. Will Incorporate New Property in Their Block.

The building and site at present occupied by the Times has been acquired by David Spencer & Co. with the purpose of incorporating it in their big building and thus rounding out the property. For some years the firm has held the property on either side and now they have secured the one on Broad street, a complete line of windows on Broad street.

The building is leased by the Times Printing & Publishing Company, but their lease does not expire for some little time, when the new owners will take possession. It is expected that they will commence building operations with the purpose of making the building correspond with the rest of the block.

MASONS CELEBRATING FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY

Visiting Brethren Here From Many Parts in North-west.

Victoria has as its guests to-day a large number of prominent Masons from various parts of the province, from the neighboring states and from Alberta and Saskatchewan, who have assembled here to join with local brethren in celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the introduction of Freemasonry into British Columbia.

At 4 o'clock this afternoon the fine new annex to the Masonic Temple on the corner of Flagstaff and Douglas streets will be formally dedicated, and at 8 in the evening there will be speeches commemorative of the anniversary. The proceedings will close with a banquet, the dining hall in the annex being utilized for the first time.

A debate is to be held in the Y.M.C.A. auditorium on Friday night at 8 o'clock in the subject, "Capitalism versus Socialism." R. Van Munster and E. L. Harrison will take the negative, while J. L. Martin and E. E. Woodward will support the affirmative. The judges on this occasion will be A. B. McNeill and Capt. Dan McIntosh. D. W. Higgins will act as chairman during the evening. This debate is being held by the literary department of the association and will undoubtedly draw a large crowd.

G. T. P. LAUNCHES PRINCE RUPERT

FIRST STEAMER TOOK WATER TO-DAY

Company's Vessels for Pacific Coast Will Be Dispatched Early.

(Special to the Times.) Montreal, Dec. 14.—Cables received to-day from Wallend announce the launching of the three-funnel liner for the G.T.P. between Vancouver, Victoria and Seattle and Prince Rupert. She will be called the "Prince Rupert" and within sixty days will start on her voyage to the Pacific coast, where her upper works will be fitted.

This is one of the two steamers for the Pacific coast which the G.T.P. is to build in the Old Country. The other will be called the "Prince George." These vessels are to be fitted in the most modern style, as announced some time ago in the Times.

ROOSTER APPEARS IN POLICE COURT

Takes Active Part in Hearing of Poultry Ownership Case.

A handsome seven months old Plymouth Rock rooster occupied the attention of the police court this morning in the case in which a charge of the theft of the bird from the owner on Hillside avenue, was heard. The bird was valued at \$10 and was finally sent back to its original home as the magistrate held it was the property of the plaintiff and that it must have wandered into the Balnes place as there was no evidence of theft. The rooster and the court had a battle of wits. Two cases had been disposed of and the rooster case was called. Immediately the rooster started a loud crowing from his coop in the corner. The actual dialogue was as follows:

Rooster—Cock a doodle do.

Sgt. Carson—Order in court. Rooster—Cock a doodle do.

The magistrate—That's decided contempt of court.

The city prosecutor—No, your honor. He wants to give evidence. Is there an interpreter here?

The plaintiff got in the witness box when his lawyer, E. L. Tait, asked that witnesses be excluded from court. The Rooster—Cock a doodle do.

The magistrate—Capital punishment would be the proper court for that witness. The rooster was quiet for the remainder of the hearing.

The case then proceeded. The plaintiff said he had missed two pullets and a rooster and found footmarks in the hen coop. Some days later he had found the rooster and one pullet in defendant's yard. He identified the bird for marks.

The defendant said he had raised the bird, but there was no particular mark by which he could identify it, as all birds looked alike to him.

Evidence was given that the fence had been blown down by the wind, and the magistrate thought the birds might have got out of plaintiff's yard and wandered across the broken fence into the yard of defendant. He ordered the birds returned to the plaintiff, and dismissed the case as there was no evidence of theft.

The council of the Board of Trade met this morning and discussed some railway matters affecting Vancouver Island and direct communication with the Mal

CAR FERRY GOES ASHORE IN GALE

Vessel May Go to Pieces Before Life Savers Reach Scene.

(Special to the Times.) Port Burwell, Ont., Dec. 14.—The car ferry Ashtabula went aground off the point at noon and is now flying distress signals. With the gale which is now prevailing it is impossible to get out boats to go to the assistance of the ferry. Heavy seas are breaking over the vessel and she is in danger of going to pieces before the arrival of life-savers. It is not known how many persons are on board.

WILL INSPECT THE WHITE PASS ROAD

Chairman Mabee, of Railway Board, to Come to Coast in February.

(Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Dec. 14.—Chairman Mabee of the railway board, will go to the Pacific coast in February and make a personal inspection of conditions on the Yukon and White Horse railway before giving a decision on the application made last spring for a general reduction in freight rates on the road. It is expected that the order of the board bringing into operation the new rates will be made early in the spring so as to allow next year's supplies for Yukon to be taken in under the revised schedules.

MR. JUSTICE GREGORY STANDS NO DELAYS

Business in Which Lawyers Are Not Ready Struck Off Docket.

Lawyers practicing before Mr. Justice Gregory must be prepared to go on with their cases and motions when called. Three members of the bar who had motions down for this morning, when the new judge sat in chambers, were not present to go on. As a result the motions were struck out and the lawyers will have to enter them again.

Only one of the four matters down for hearing was dealt with. Frank Higgins secured an order in re the John Irving estate for service on the widow, the two eldest sons and Kelly.

SKELETON IN ATTIC

Mysterious Case in New Jersey Asylum for Insane.

Newark, N. J., Dec. 14.—A skeleton in the attic of the county insane asylum here has proved so effective a witness that the grand jury has handed down a presentment characterizing Dr. Daniel M. Dill, the superintendent, as incompetent and recommending his removal. Dr. Dill was unable to account for the skeleton, which is that of a woman.

No woman, according to his books, has died in the institution since 1890.

The grand jury reported that if the skeleton is not that of an inmate it must be that of a visitor, and recommends that the investigation be continued.

The death occurred on Sunday last at the Royal Jubilee hospital of Clifford M. Scales. Deceased was 24 years of age and was born in England. He came here several months ago to undergo medical treatment and had no friends in this city. The funeral took place this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from the B. C. Funeral Furnishing Company's parlors.

NATIONALISTS TAKE SIDES WITH LIBERALS

Asquith's Declaration on Home Rule Satisfactory to Party.

(Special to the Times.) London, Dec. 14.—The Irish national executive met in Dublin to-day and decided to join with the Liberal party in the coming election.

Premier Asquith's declaration of Home Rule was considered by Mr. Redmond to be satisfactory.

YUKON STAFF IS BEING REORGANIZED

Services of Number of Officials Have Been Dispensed With.

(Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Dec. 14.—The reorganization of the administration in the Yukon and the need of fewer administrative officers, consequent upon more settled conditions of business, the falling off in the recording of mining claims, etc., has enabled the government to make a considerable reduction in the staff of officials. Mr. Lithgow, gold commissioner, will be transferred to Ottawa, and the services of A. J. Beaudette, mining engineer; Alfred Watson, clerk of accounts; Clem Burns, secretary to the council; and William Noble, clerk of the gold commissioner's office, have been dispensed with. There will probably be a few other reductions later on, the desire of the Yukon people being to have the money thus saved applied to the building of roads and other local improvements.

ESTRADA WILL ATTACK ZELAYANS

Provisional President Masses Forces for Move Against Government Army.

(Special to the Times.) Bluefields, Me., Dec. 14.—Provisional President Estrada has abandoned the defensive and is now massing troops for an attack on Zelaya's army.

It is probable a battle will be fought at Rector, twelve miles from this city.

Cheer Estrada.

New Orleans, Dec. 14.—Managua is now in the hands of a pro-revolutionary mob. The streets are thronged with excited Nicaraguans who are cheering for Estrada and President Taft.

The popular cry is the abdication of Zelaya.

TROUBLES OF A HUMORIST.

Mark Twain once approached a friend, a business man, and confided the fact that gems of thought were forming in his brain with such rapidity that they were even beginning to sparkle in his eyes, and that he needed the assistance of a stenographer.

"I can send you one, fine you follow," the friend said. "He came to my office yesterday in search of a position, but I didn't have an opening. I am sure you will find him all right."

"Has he a sense of humor?" Mark asked cautiously.

"Oh, I am sure he has—in fact, he got off one or two pretty witty things himself yesterday," the friend hastened to assure him.

"Sorry, but he won't do, then," the writer said, with a disappointed shake of his head.

"Why, er, why not?" was the surprised query.

"The would-be employer assumed a confidential air."

"I'll tell you," he said. "You see, I had one once before with a sense of humor, and it interfered too much with the work. I can't afford to pay a man 32 a day for laughing."—New York Times.

FLOATING BONDS OF NEW RAILWAY

Alberta and Great Waterways Line Raising Money in London.

The most important bond flotation in London during recent weeks is that of the Alberta and Great Waterways \$7,400,000 5 per cent. 50-year first mortgage bonds in London. The bonds are guaranteed as to principal and interest by the Provincial Government of Alberta. The issue was made by the London branch of J. P. Morgan & Co., Mr. William R. Clark, a banker of Kansas City, Mo., and Mr. E. A. James, formerly general manager of the Canadian Northern Railway, and a former resident of this city, are apparently the chief backers of the enterprise. It is proposed to build the road from Edmonton, northeast of the Athabasca River, to Fort McMurray and the distance will be about 300 miles. Of the total issue \$400,000 covers Edmonton terminals, but the bulk of the loan is based on a guarantee of \$50,000 per mile on the main line and branches.

Considerable criticism has been heard in London regarding the flotation, says the Monetary Times. One critic states that while the provincial guarantee doubtless insured successful flotation of the issue, the fact of the guarantee being given on such favorable terms to the lenders must be a cause of dissatisfaction to the holders of the recent issue of 4 per cent. bonds of Alberta Province and also to the holders of the branch lines bonds of other systems operating in the province, which issues, though made quite recently, have not been offered on such favorable terms as this.

Premier Rutherford tells the Monetary Times that any adverse criticism offered respecting the provincial guarantee of the bonds, when compared with other similar issues, cannot be defended. There are no similar, regular guarantees in Alberta province, he adds, the one under review being a colonization road to a large extent, all other guarantees are for branches through already settled parts of the province. For information with regard to resources of the territory to be opened by the Alberta & Great Waterways road, he refers to the report of a committee of the Senate of Canada appointed during the session of 1907. He also makes reference to the statement made by Mr. R. E. Young, of the Department of the Interior, in 1906, as to urgent necessity of opening up the valuable and inexhaustible resources of Canada's hinterland.

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December, 1909.					
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20	1.52	37.27	14.56	23.33	
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25	0.52	42.32	18.36	25.48	
26	0.40	43.33	19.20	26.15	
27	0.28	44.34	20.04	26.42	
28	0.16	45.35	20.48	27.09	
29	0.04	46.36	21.32	27.36	
30	0.00	47.37	22.16	28.03	
31	0.00	48.38	23.00	28.30	

The time used in Pacific Standard, for the 120th Meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight.

A special meeting of the Junior Anti-Tuberculosis Society will be held at 11 a. m. to-morrow at the Balmoral hotel. All members are particularly requested to attend.

DIED.
WALLACE—On Sunday evening, at the family residence, 1115 Fort street, Kate Wallace, widow of the late Capt. Marshall Wallace, of Halifax, Nova Scotia, aged 91 years.
Funeral on Wednesday, Dec. 15th, at 2 p. m., and 2.30 from Christ Church Cathedral.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THERE'S \$500 PROFIT IN THIS for the buyer. Large 8 room house, on Cormorant street, one block from City Hall, \$3,000, terms to arrange. T. P. McConnell, cor. Government and Fort streets, upstairs. d14

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NINE ROOMED, well furnished house, with furnace, for rent, \$5 per month, Michigan street. Apply Green & Burdick Bros., cor. Broughton and Langley streets. d16

SEWING MACHINES and cash registers repaired. Waites Bros., 614 Fort St. d17

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ALFRED JONES, carpenter and cabinet maker, makes and repairs book cases and all kinds of furniture. Yates and Vancouver. d19

PHYTHIAN SISTERS' MASQUERADE BALL, in the A. O. U. W. Hall, Wednesday, 15th inst. Admission, gentlemen, \$1.00; ladies, 50 cents. d20

TABLES, CHAIRS, IRON BEDS, etc., at bargain prices, at Kew's, 710 Yates St. d21

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COOK STREET, near Southgate street, splendid locality, 2 lots, 50x150, \$1,750. Northwest Real Estate, 716 Yates. d23

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WARDROBE FOR SALE, at Davies & Sons, 742 Fort street. d25

TO LET—A small farm, for a term of years, very cheap to a responsible person, four acres under cultivation, house and barn on property, situated on a lake shore; ready sale for all products on the premises. Address Box A124, Times Office. d26

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that after this date I will not be responsible for any debts contracted by my wife, Mary Ann Holmwood, without my written authority. Victoria, B. C., December 14th, 1909. E. J. Holmwood. d27

ANNUAL BAZAAR AND SUPPER, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society of First Congregational church, to be held in the Lecture Hall, on Wednesday, 15th inst. Supper served from 6 to 8 p. m. An excellent musical programme. d28

WANTED—Young lady to take care of child two or three times a week for three or four hours. Apply 418 Superior street. d29

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What Other People Think

CHINESE LABOR.

To the Editor:—I met the pensioner whom I wrote about the other day, and his first remark was, "But we have both the newspapers against us," and I had with sorrow to agree with him. I do not think that either side of the matter—boards of trade are not, and every now and then we find expressions on the other side of the question. But, stronger than that we find almost universal action against the law which was intended to prevent employment of Chinese in our homes. I am not surprised that the newspapers have gone wrong and kept wrong. They have to write on such a number of subjects it is easiest to support the law. They all admit that a great injustice has been done to the older residents. The law is the aggressor, and it is not by any means a manly aggression, it is cringing to a comparatively small number of the electorate, and the sufferers have waited for years now in the hope that the prophets might turn out true prophets, but they have not. Domestic help don't come.

Both newspapers put a peculiar view of the matter rather strongly, viz., that in every house their ought to be some one able and willing to do the drudgery of the house. Of course they don't mean the ladies to do it. I wonder how the editors look when they draw on their overalls and set to work. In my opinion it is of very little use to get money if it cannot get these odd disagreeable jobs done for pay, and would it not be a step down for Victorians?

As for women cooks and housemaids, our educated girls want something pleasanter to do. If they have to go out of their homes to get work they can now get employment in numerous ways.

I don't think you placed much importance on the bigger part of my suggestion. The unskilled laborers who must come into the province in thousands to make our railroads are a bad lot to bring into any country. When their work is done they are not a blessing to the land where they settle. And I want the province to be selfish enough to refuse to relieve either England or America, or any other country of them. They are a necessary evil, you will say. Yes, but the Chinaman can do it, and he never becomes a charge to the country in which he settles—and Mr. McBride's railway policy is more sure to be a success if we get them.

I have nothing to say as to the cruelty of the old Jews and Romans towards their prisoners of war. It is a different world from those times, and although a selfish one, it is a better world. If we bring Chinese here for five or six years and give them inducements which they certainly will accept to go back to China, we do what is a kindness to the Chinaman and a good stroke of business for ourselves.

In this city those who suffer most domestic service difficulties are driving people into boarding houses, which are getting very numerous amongst us, and making the people find entertainment at 10 cent shows, instead of family gatherings and good books.

My plea for an alteration of the present law which was intended to exclude Chinamen from British Columbia, is this, that every man of us only submits to the law when he cannot evade it. He obeys the law for want of power, and not of goodwill. This alone makes it a bad law. And if we were to send detectives to the homes of our exclusionists we would find the law of McBride's cabinet and a decided exclusionist had for his first business, to engage a Chinaman. He tried to take mine away by an offer of higher wages, which I had to top. Perhaps Mr. McBride employs Chinamen himself—he will be no worse than other respectable members and citizens. You say domestic servants' wages have increased enormously in the Old Country. Twenty years ago ten or twelve pounds a year was a fair wage for a general servant. Double that, say £25, a year, and double that again, £50 a year, about \$14 a month. How do these compare with our wages? And I don't expect the general servant's wages have advanced anything like so much. But you may have more recent information. I know it rests with Ottawa to alter the law, and I also know that our premier, although a good sort of a man, requires a hammer and chisel to knock an idea out of his head if once it has got there. It is the same with the baby navy.

nevertheless snapped and growled exceedingly when another dog, without a bed to lie on, wished to annex that portion of the straw not occupied by the fortunate first dog. Now that the "progressive" policy is being boosted, now that the slogan of "Onward, Old Victoria!" is being sung, it is passing strange that a progressive railway company, having secured a piece of waste harbor front which has laid for years, an unproductive and slovenly blot on the water side, should meet with such determined and strenuous opposition at the hands of men who, if the suggestion were made that they were against "Progressive" Victoria, would doubtless be virtuously indignant—very indignant indeed!

During the last election campaign (pardon me for alluding to it), any person who presumed to doubt in the smallest particular the advantages of the railway scheme was at once very severely reprimanded by "Progressive" Victoria. "Let us by all means have another railway into the city," Good! We all will be pleased to see railways, factories, works which will give employment to the thousands who are now earning but a precarious and uncertain living in the town. Why, then, should not every encouragement and possible aid be given the C. T. P. entry? Victoria has been boasted up as the maritime port of British Columbia. If her harbor is not big enough to admit of the building of an up-to-date wharf, we had better annex Esquimalt and put up a sign on Selk's point, "standing room only." Or would, "My busy day, don't disturb me," be better?

According to the plan, it would seem that the wharves most affected would be the Dominion government's at the marine offices, and if they do not object, why should anyone else, unless for the purpose of blocking a probable business deal? What is the matter with Victoria anyhow? In this case, when a work of certain improvement and "progress" is contemplated, business men are up in arms at the drop of the hat. On the other hand, when any Tom, Dick or Harry casts covetous eyes at the only piece of public domain for the freedom of the masses, he is but to ask the weak backed officials when he gets a chunk of it for the exclusive use of some "club" or "association." One gentleman is seriously contemplating erecting a mammoth building as a crowning glory to Beacon Hill for the use—exclusive of course—of a Fresh Air Club. From his schemes to public parks is a far cry indeed, but until the citizens of Victoria balance up the scales a little, give more encouragement to works of public utility, and discourage the alienation of citizens' rights, there will be a note of discord in the commercial economy of the city which will ever work inimically to her success.

WALTER B. ANDERSON.
THINNING APPLES.
To the Editor: The sapient editor of your morning contemporary has suddenly discovered through the medium of the New Scotch Fruit Growers' Association that the thinning of apples is profitable. If this gentleman, or any of his subordinates, had ever considered it of sufficient importance to attend the meetings or read the reports of our own local associations or of those of the adjoining States, he might have discovered that the doctrine in all its bearings has been preached and threshed out years ago. I will venture to say that every fruit grower in the province is fully informed on a subject which itself is as old as the hills and its importance fully recognized.

HORTICULTURIST.
VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 13, 1909.
CIVIC REPRESENTATION.
To the Editor: Representation by wards is certainly a most pernicious system; it is at the bottom of all the petty patronage, besides being most demoralizing to those who have to dance to the ward-chief's music, or secure some unearned advantage to some undeserving support. Election of the whole of the representatives by the whole body of the electorate would raise the standard of the council, make them more self-respecting and more independent.

Then as to the method of election, let each voter cast but one vote. He could then be safely trusted to vote for the one person on the list that appealed to him as the best qualified for the honor of representation. The person thus receiving the largest number of votes would clearly be the true choice of the majority of the voters. Thus if there were fifteen names on the list and ten to elect they would be elected according to plurality. A person voting for three, as at present, votes, as a rule, for the best man in his estimation, or for his fancy, first, one or both the remaining names are marked haphazard, or as the least objectionable, or else he plumps and votes only for two out of the three. The result is a selection certainly, but not the true vox populi. Then such a pro-

nouncement of popular confidence would entitle the man at the head of the pole to a three-year tenure. Possibly the first three might be included, as those who obtained a three-fifths majority. The next three, or those who secured some fixed proportion of the total votes polled, should remain in office for two years, and the balance, or those who failed to secure some fixed proportion of the total votes polled, be retired at the end of the year.
THOS. C. SORBY.

A FOUL BAY COMPLAINT.

To the Editor: Can I use a small portion of your space on behalf of the residents of Foul Bay district? The street railway seem to pay no attention to the solicitations of their patrons re erecting some kind of a shelter at the terminus of their line on Fairfield road, and in consequence have been pouring rain. Surely the company can afford to put up some kind of a shack, or perhaps in their goodness of heart might give us permission to build one at our own expense.
J. SYDNEY POTTER.

THE DEMAND FOR LABOR.

To the Editor: I have been amused at the letters in the papers for the last week from persons agitating for cheap labor. I can't help noticing they are nearly all from the "C. T. P. Country," and some of them would have some of the surplus population of England whom they quoted as living on nine cents a day, brought out. Others would like to hire a troopship and bring out whole regiments of old soldiers, who after arriving here would still be old soldiers, and others would like to have the whole \$500 tax on the Chinese eliminated. Is there not a tone of selfishness in these letters, for the writers are only small employers of labor, in the shape of domestic help, which they say they can't obtain? There has been too much undesirable labor induced to come to this country already. Our enlarged asylums and jails tell us that it is only the planting of poor seed on virgin soil. I never knew it fall yet where employers of labor could not get all the help they needed by according decent treatment to their white help. That is, treat them as if they were not inferior beings, which they are not. I would respectfully remind these writers that wealthy settlers from below the border are flocking to this country by the score, and they and their sons and daughters are not afraid to work and will not sit down and sing the lament of scarcity of labor.

HERBERT PHIPPS.
Prior street.

CHRISTMAS CHEER.

To the Editor:—Will you allow me to plead through your columns on behalf of several aged people and poor families at this coming Christmas season? The Friendly Help Association, consisting of representatives of all the religious bodies in the city, will follow its annual custom of distributing meat, groceries, etc., to families known to the district visitors, and we appeal, not only to our former friends, but to new converts, to send money or goods. There is very little real poverty amongst us, but there are some who greatly value their Christmas gifts. Contributions in money should be sent to Miss M. Lawson, 100 Kingston street, and goods to the market place on December 20th.

ISOLINE H. PERRIN.
President Friendly Help Association.

CORRECTION.

To the Editor:—Please make the following corrections in my letter of the 10th inst., regarding Forest Preservation. I said the Gypsy moth had wrought destruction to the forest trees of the United States, not the fruit trees; Mr. Kearfoot, not Kearlatti; laissez faire, not faire. J. R. ANDERSON.
Victoria, 13th Dec., 1909.

THREE MILLION COPIES OF THIS ALMANAC

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Three million copies of Dr. A. W. Chase's Calendar Almanac for 1910 are now being sent out through Canada and the United States. The editor's aim has always been to make this book a useful, instructive home companion. This year with enormous expense, they have realized their ideal and compiled the most remarkable book of its kind ever published.

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The dairy content for \$200.00 in gold is again a feature in this issue of the almanac. In past years thousands of the doctor's followers have availed themselves of this golden opportunity. By so doing they have kept an accurate record of their daily life, which is invaluable to them. In fact they request the return of same.

If you do not receive a copy of this almanac, the publishers, Emerson, Bates and Co., Toronto, will mail you one post-paid on receipt of your name and address.

STORES HERALD CHRISTMASTIDE

Copas & Young.

"The Store of the People." Such is the description given this busy store by its energetic proprietors, and that the phrase is apt its thronging customers testify in the most concrete manner possible. It is not long since the name of Copas & Young was first announced as a business firm new to Victoria, but its prominence to-day impresses afresh the lesson that it is energy and judgment, rather than length of life, that makes for the success of a business enterprise.

The practical bent of this firm's policy is revealed in the dressing of the Christmas windows and in the interior arrangements of the store. The windows are dressed for the display of goods. They are selling windows, rather than show windows. The same practical judgment is exercised in every department of the store, and necessarily so, for the pressure of business is always so insistent here that only a perfect organization can render the high order of store service which it is the policy of the house to maintain.

The Christmas offerings here will consist of the regular lines of staples at the low prices which have so largely contributed to the favorable reputation enjoyed by the house. A fine consignment of the best products of the Cross & Blackwell factory, imported direct from London, may be mentioned, as well as a similar importation of Chivers' Jams and Travers' famous pickles.

To contribute to the cheer of the Christmas table is also a stock of wines, whiskeys, also stouts and liqueurs of guaranteed quality and flavor.

Robinson's Cash Store.

"Useful things—things to wear." This is the fewest possible words describes the nature of the gift offerings to be looked for at Robinson's Cash Store on Yates street. For men there are braces, armlets, silk mufflers, neckwear, silk initial handkerchiefs. For children there are such useful garments as knitted woolen gaiters, booties, jackets, mitts and scarves. Appealing more directly to women is a stock which covers the choicest and counters—Blankets, comforters, and all the innumerable articles that go to make up a very complete line of house furnishings have a strong utilitarian appeal. Of daintier fabrics, fancy linsens deserve mention. They consist of Battenberg lace runners, cushion covers, bureau scarves, afternoon tea cloths and similar novelties. There are Irish linen handkerchiefs, both plain and initialed, imported direct from Belfast.

The policy of this store, as its name implies, is one that enables it to buy cheaply in the best markets for all its transactions, whether of buying or selling, are on a strictly cash basis. In this fact is the explanation of the low prices that rule here.

John Cochrane.

The well known pharmacy of John Cochrane, at the corner of Douglas and Yates street, is always a factor at Christmas time in the solution of the gift problem. This year the line of ebony goods for which this house has built up a reputation will be, if any, more full and complete than ever. Brushes, mirrors, manicure sets and ladies' dressing cases are some of the toilet articles that are displayed in this line of goods. Their perfect suitability for Christmas gifts that will keep the giver in daily remembrance, and a steady demand for them. Then in the line of men's goods, Cochrane's stock is replete with suggestions that will be sure to meet with a ready response from shopkeepers looking for just the right thing. Imported French, English and American goods done up in the most daintily attractive styles, afford a wide variety of choice. Among these, Cochrane's Otto de Violet is a deserving favorite.

Carroll B. Jameson.

After a round of many stores where Christmas goods are shown in a thousand varieties and shapes, it is refreshing to step into a place whose shelves make but one direct and concentrated appeal. The shopper who has hesitated long between a rocking horse and a railway train for Tommy, and between a safety razor and a pair of slippers for Tommy's father, will experience the restfulness that comes with decision on breathing the aromatic air of Mr. Jameson's store. Mr. Jameson's is a tea and coffee specialist. His teas are imported direct from Ceylon and are for the most part blended by himself. Every day coffees are freshly roasted and ground on the premises, and those who on Christmas Day will confine themselves to the beverages that cheer but not inebriate will find no better source of supply in the city than that afforded by the Fort street tea and coffee store.

Hicks & Lovick Piano Co.

Christmastide is always a welcome season to the piano house of Hicks & Lovick, and this year they are better prepared than ever to cope with the brisk demand for musical instruments that characterizes the approach of the holiday. Never before has the floor of the Douglas street warerooms been so crowded with the finest instruments representative of the various celebrated makes of which this house has the exclusive agency. Mason & Rich pianos are as usual in the lead here, with Stanley and Evans' pianos, together with pianolas and pianola pianos made by the great Aeolian company rounding out an impressive display. The instruments shown to-day, be it remembered, were chosen in the East by a member of the firm, daily for the Christmas trade. They are all specially priced at very considerable reductions that meet the would-

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NOTICE.

THE HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY hereby give notice that, one month from date hereof, they will apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police at Victoria, B. C., for a renewal of their license for selling intoxicating liquors at the premises known as The Hudson's Bay House, situated at Telegraph Creek, in the District of Cassiar, to commence the 1st day of January, 1910.

Per JAS. THOMSON.
26th November, 1909.

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NOTICE

NAVIGABLE WATERS PROTECTION
ACT.

Notice is hereby given that the Cameron Lumber Company, Limited, having its registered office in the City of Victoria, British Columbia, is applying to His Excellency the Governor-General of Canada in Council for approval of the area plans, site and description of works proposed to be constructed in that part of the waters of Victoria Harbor known as Selkirk Water, between Point Elliot bridge and Halkett Island, being on the lands situated, lying and being in the City of Victoria, British Columbia, and known, numbered and described as Lot "D," generally situate, and has deposited the area and site plans of the proposed works and a description thereof with the Minister of Public Works at Ottawa, and a duplicate thereof with the Registrar-General of Titles in the Land Registry Office, in the City of Victoria, British Columbia, and that the matter of the said application will be proceeded with at the expiration of one month from the time of the first publication of this notice in the Canada Gazette.

Dated this 14th day of December, A.D. 1909.

CAMERON LUMBER COMPANY, LIM-
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Per D. O. CAMERON,
Secretary.

JOHN MESTON

CARRIAGE MAKER
BLACKSMITH
ETC.
BROAD ST.
Between Johnson and
Pandora.MONTEAGLE IN
FROM ORIENTIMMENSE VALUE IN
HER LARGE CARGOInteresting Passengers Tell of
Events in Ceylon and
Japan.

Although the steamer Monteagle was high out of the water when she arrived this morning, she brought a very valuable cargo, one of the richest that has come to this port for many a day. Out of the total of 4,000 tons there was 2,000 bales of raw silk and 200 cases of manufactured silk, valued at nearly a million and a quarter dollars. Besides this there was a large quantity of tea and a big consignment of fresh eggs for this Coast, fifty tons in all. These will be used for the Christmas trade and will prove very acceptable at a time when eggs are so scarce.

Another very interesting consignment of freight on the steamer was a large importation of bulbs, most of which are going through to Eastern United States. America every year imports large quantities of Japanese and Chinese bulbs, which are planted at this time and are in flower about the time of the Chinese New Year.

Chief Steward T. H. Parsley, of the Monteagle, was left behind at Yokohama, the having been seized with a severe attack of dysentery.

The steamer brought 42 saloon passengers, 14 European steerage and 23 Asiatic steerage. The following is the complete list of saloon passengers: Mr. A. Atter, Mrs. Atter and child, Mrs. A. E. Black, Miss E. M. Bradley, Mr. L. R. Campbell, Mr. F. L. Chatfield, Mr. Choy Chuck, Mrs. Choy Chuck, Mr. G. W. Clark, Mrs. Clark and child, Mr. G. Gibbons, Mr. H. J. Hemperly, Mrs. Hemperly, Mr. J. D. Jamieson, Mrs. Jamieson, Miss R. Jamieson, Mr. S. T. Kendall, Mrs. B. Kuhn, Miss E. Kuhn, Miss M. H. Cornwall Legh, Mr. D. Armon, Mr. R. H. Palmer, Mr. F. P. Panolet, Miss B. Robinson, Mr. T. Sanger, Mr. R. T. Sayle, Mrs. Sayle, Mr. T. Shindo, Mr. T. J. Speiget, Mrs. H. R. Stagg, Miss E. A. Stagg, Miss S. Sweet, Mr. E. E. Tait, Dr. J. Tadmura, Rev. C. D. Thompson, Miss S. C. Tomlinson, Mr. T. G. Turnbull, Mr. C. C. A. Warr, Mrs. Warr and child, Mrs. M. S. Weeks and child, Mr. L. W. Winton, Mrs. Sakane.

Among the passengers on the steamer was G. W. Clark, foreman of works on the Tao Ching railway. This is a short line of about 100 miles built by the Pekin syndicate for the purpose of carrying the coal from their mines. At present the line is run by the Chinese government, they paying seven per cent. on the investment, and by doing so losing a lot of money every year. The mines are very valuable, there being large seams of fine anthracite coal. There are a great many mines in the district and this fact keeps down the price, but now an effort is being made to work up a foreign trade. Mr. Clark is now on his way to England with his wife and child.

Another rather interesting personality was F. L. Chatfield, of New York. He had been to Japan representing the American corporations who were interested in the Dai Nippon Sugar Co. and was the prosecution of the members of the Japanese parliament for frauds in that regard. The trial closed the day before the Monteagle sailed, but the verdict was postponed until a week later.

Speaking of the country and its people, Mr. Chatfield said that most of the people were corrupt, and most of the big companies in that country were unsound financially. It was quite the exception to find honesty either in the administration of justice or in the ordinary walks of life.

A large amount of Christmas mail was discharged by the Monteagle and a small amount of freight before she left for Vancouver. A special fast train will leave for the East to-night with the silk.

OLD FOLKS COUGHS

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One of the worst tortures of old age is that distressing chronic cough. Colds settle on the chest, are wrongly treated, with drug-laden and chest-weakening cough syrups, and from year to year the condition has grown worse. Formerly the cough went away when fine weather came, but now bad weather makes it worse and the coughing, tearing, coughing make life a burden.

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Owing to scarcity of coal at Lady-smith and Nanaimo the steamer Vado, of the Boscovitz line, had to go to Union Bay to fill her bunkers, so that she will not arrive here until to-night. She will leave on time Thursday night.

TYPHOON IN
SOUTH CHINAGERMAN CAPTAIN
PROVES HIMSELF HEROPassenger on Monteagle Tells
of Experience on Prince
Ludwig.

Leaving the cotton fields of Ceylon for the plains of Alberta, G. D. Jamieson arrived this morning on the steamer Monteagle, accompanied by Mrs. and Miss Jamieson, and have proceeded direct to Calgary, where they will settle. The party passed through a big typhoon south of China, which for two days howled around them. Speaking of his experiences, Mr. Jamieson said:

"We were on our way from Singapore to Hongkong on the big German mail steamer Prince Ludwig, and were nearing the latter port when the storm broke on us. Captain Meyer had been ill, but he immediately went to the bridge and remained there for twenty-four hours, in spite of the fact that the effort nearly killed him, and on his arrival in port he had to go to the hospital."

"The passengers were all locked below, they did not realize at the time just how severe the storm they were passing through. The vessel could make hardly any headway, the two days on which the typhoon was upon us being practically lost. Little damage was done to the vessel, but the strain nearly killed the captain, who proved himself a hero."

Speaking of the cotton fields of Ceylon, Mr. Jamieson said that there was a boom on at present in the island. A great deal of rubber had been planted, but none of the trees were yet old enough to be tapped. The prices for land had soared to all sorts of heights, and while doubtless both the cotton and the rubber would pay well it would be difficult to pay dividends on the inflated prices. The rubber had proved very successful on the Malay Peninsula, and there was no doubt it would do the same in Ceylon. At present the price for the product was very high, but he did not think this would continue.

Mr. Jamieson spent an hour or two looking around the city before leaving for Vancouver.

SUBSIDIARY COMPANY
IS TO HOLD DOCKGrand Trunk Pacific Completes
Deal at Seattle and In-
corporates Under U. S. Laws.

The work of construction on the new dock in Seattle to be controlled by the Grand Trunk Pacific Railroad Company will commence early in January. Yesterday the lease of the Flyer dock property was formally concluded, and the dock company organized, a foreign corporation not being permitted to hold realty in the state of Washington.

J. H. Bacon, the harbor engineer of the G.T.P. at Prince Rupert, is expected in Seattle in a few days to prepare plans for the new dock. The present dock and the building on the property will be torn down, and the new dock will extend out 700 feet. It will be two stories in height, the upper story to be devoted to offices and waiting rooms for passengers, while the lower floor will be used for freight purposes exclusively.

It is the intention of the company to use the dock for general use among Sound steamers, and the Flyer will continue to use at the new dock the same berth she now occupies. It is announced that the new structure will be made as ornamental as possible.

At a meeting held in the office of Herr Bailey, Wilson & Smith yesterday the Grand Trunk Pacific Dock Company was organized, with a capital stock of \$150,000. The lease of the dock property, which the company assumed, is for twenty-five years.

Officers for the new company were elected as follows: President, Charles M. Hays; vice-president, Capt. J. S. Gibson, of the McCabe & Hamilton Stevedoring Company; secretary, Henry Phillips; assistant secretary, Somers Hays Smith; treasurer, Charles M. Hays, E. J. Chamberlain, Capt. J. S. Gibson, Somers Hays Smith and L. V. Druce.

TIDE TABLE.

Date.	Time of High Water	Time of Low Water	Time of High Water	Time of Low Water
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2	2:34	8:20	3:11	8:57
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4	2:54	8:00	3:31	8:37
5	3:04	7:50	3:41	8:27
6	3:14	7:40	3:51	8:17
7	3:24	7:30	4:01	8:07
8	3:34	7:20	4:11	7:57
9	3:44	7:10	4:21	7:47
10	3:54	7:00	4:31	7:37
11	4:04	6:50	4:41	7:27
12	4:14	6:40	4:51	7:17
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21	5:44	5:10	6:21	5:47
22	5:54	5:00	6:31	5:37
23	6:04	4:50	6:41	5:27
24	6:14	4:40	6:51	5:17
25	6:24	4:30	7:01	5:07
26	6:34	4:20	7:11	4:57
27	6:44	4:10	7:21	4:47
28	6:54	4:00	7:31	4:37
29	7:04	3:50	7:41	4:27
30	7:14	3:40	7:51	4:17
31	7:24	3:30	8:01	4:07

The time used is Pacific Standard, for the month of December. It is noted from 6 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The figures for height serve to distinguish high water from low water. The height is in feet and tenths of a foot, above the average level of the low-tide water in each month of the year. This level is half a foot lower than the datum to which the soundings on the Admiralty chart of Victoria harbor are reduced.

Steamer Lonsdale, of the Canadian-Mexican line, is expected to arrive here to-morrow outward bound for Mexican ports. She is taking a good cargo.

SHIPPING REPORT

(By Dominion Wireless.)

Cape Lazo, Dec. 14, 8 a. m.—Drizzling; calm; bar, 30.50; temp, 45; sea smooth.

Point Grey, Dec. 14, 8 a. m.—Rain; calm; bar, 30.35; temp, 34.

Tatoosh, Dec. 14, 8 a. m.—Cloudy; wind N. E., 24 miles; bar, 30.58; temp, 41; passed in last night, U. S. S. Snohomish, 6:25; passed out schooner Honolup towing, at 8:25; outside, bound in, 2-masted barquentine.

Pachena, Dec. 14, 8 a. m.—Clear; wind north; bar, 30.40; temp, 32; light swell.

Estevan, Dec. 14, 8 a. m.—Cloudy; calm; bar, 30.64; temp, 34; light swell.

Point Grey, Dec. 14, noon.—Foggy; calm; bar, 30.56; temp, 40.

Cape Lazo, Dec. 14, noon.—Cloudy; calm; bar, 30.50; temp, 38; sea moderate.

Tatoosh, Dec. 14, noon.—Part cloudy; wind east, 12 miles; bar, 30.56; temp, 44; sea smooth; light barquentine Georgian towing, at 10:50; schooner Al Macdonald, 11:15 a. m., and barquentine Olympic, 11:20; passed in, barquentine Gardner City towing, at 11:30. Governor will pass in at 2 p. m.

Estevan, Dec. 14, noon.—Clear; calm; bar, 30.65; temp, 43; light swell; Newington arrived and anchored at 9:30 a. m.

Pachena, Dec. 14, noon.—Clear; wind S. E.; bar, 30.47; temp, 40; light swell.

SHIPPING GUIDE

OCEAN STEAMSHIPS.

From the Orient.

Kurematsu, Dec. 17, Jan. 17.

Empress of Japan, Dec. 17, Jan. 17.

From Australia.

Erna, Dec. 20, Dec. 20.

Georgia, Dec. 24, Dec. 24.

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Ning Chow, Dec. 26, Dec. 26.

TO SAIL.

Empress of China, Dec. 15.

For Australia.

Lonsdale, Dec. 15.

For Mexico.

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For Liverpool.

COASTWISE STEAMERS.

From San Francisco.

Vessel, Dec. 17.

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Tees, Dec. 15.

TO SAIL.

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For Northern B. C. Ports.

St. Denis, Dec. 23.

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From West Coast.

Tees, Dec. 20.

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Victoria-Seattle.

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Six Vessels Each 415 Feet in Length to Be Built on the Mersey.

Six new steamships, each 415 feet in length and with a capacity of 5,500 tons, are to be built for Messrs. H. and W. Nelson, of Liverpool, says the Liverpool Journal of Commerce.

Contracts for two of the vessels have been placed with Messrs. Cammell, Laird & Co., of Birkenhead. The vessels will be the largest ever constructed on the banks of the Mersey. The vessels will be used to maintain a weekly service between London, Liverpool and the River Plate.

NATURE ANTICIPATED
MECHANICAL PROGRESSMany Inventions Have Their
Counterpart in the Hu-
man Form.

The block and pulley, or "tackle," was a great mechanical discovery, but nature made every man carry several of these around with him at the very beginning of creation. The most important of these tackles is found in the eye. If you turn your eye to look at the tip of your nose you use this block and pulley, which is just as perfect as any erected on a ship to hoist sail.

The muscle which moves the eyeball works through the block easily and smoothly, and without friction, for nature has supplied to all of her machinery automatic or mechanical oiling inventions. Those never fail to work unless we are sick, and then the danger of a hot-box is to be considered.

The invention of the safety-valve for steam engines has saved thousands of lives and millions of dollars of property. It is an invention that stands prominently to the front in this age of mechanical progress. But nature supplied us each with a safety-valve, which, for effectiveness, works better than any made by man. If we did not have this safety-valve we would not live 24 hours. This safety-valve is the perspiratory, or sweat gland, and to make sure that we would not run short of the supply she has furnished the body with some two and a half millions of them. If our temperature rose seven or eight degrees we would die within a few hours, and yet we could not run, row, play tennis, ball, or even walk briskly any distance without increasing our temperature to the danger point, if we had no safety-valve provided so ingeniously by nature.

The cup-and-ball socket and the air-tight valve were first used in the human body. If our hip-joints and arms were not provided with air-tight sockets we would get too tired to continue our work for any length of time in just holding these limbs together by muscles. It is the pressure of the air, which holds them in place, and thus all physical effort is avoided. In the various air-tight joints and sockets found in the human body one may find nearly all the mechanical principles involved in the air-brake or the use of compressed air for a thousand different things.

Some one exclaims that nature did not discover ball-bearings, a mechanical device which has revolutionized the vehicular world. But the principle is almost developed in the ball of the leg-bone and the socket of the hip, which are made so smooth and are so well oiled that they slide back and forth with practically no friction. —Harper's Weekly.

The people of the West are always pleased when they hear of the success of any business which is strictly western in character. This is particularly true if it is a manufacturing enterprise, as it is the ambition of Western Canada to attract manufacturers to show that this part of the Dominion produces manufactured articles fully equal to the best in Eastern Canada. It has been this belief that has actuated the widely-known firm of Foley Bros., Larson & Co., of Winnipeg, in their enormous expenditure in so completely equipping their great Winnipeg factory that it stands today unequalled by any similar factory in Eastern Canada. Visitors to the Foley factory (who, by the way, are always welcome) are amazed at the great extent of the plant and at the cost and intricate working of the machinery used. For instance, in the making of the famous Premier Sodas, practically every detail, from the beginning until the finished biscuit is packed away, is handled by automatic machinery. In the mixing room, the dough is mixed automatically. It then stands in huge troughs until it reaches a certain temperature, when it is rolled flat through an automatic dough-break and automatic cutters cut it into the usual biscuit form. Enormous revolving ovens are then brought into play, through which the biscuits pass only once in a temperature of nearly 600 degrees. When they emerge they are ready for packing, all being first carefully inspected so that only the perfect biscuits go out to the consumer. It is noted that throughout the factory, in every detail of manufacture, none but the purest materials that money can buy are used and nothing is left undone to make sure of the exact cleanliness. This is just as true in the making of Foley's widely known candies and chocolates. These latter are admitted the leading lines of their kind in Canada. It is a fact which may surprise some western people that Foley's chocolates are acknowledged even by eastern manufacturers to be superior in every way, in flavor and in the quality of chocolate used, to imported chocolates. Nowadays one does not need to leave the West to get the best in chocolates. Some idea of the size of this western manufacturing business may be gained when it is mentioned that over 300,000 pounds each of flour and fine sugar are used yearly; more than 150,000 pounds of raw chocolate which the company grinds and refines by their own equipment, and that nearly 250 hands are employed apart from the travellers and office staffs at Edmonton, Vancouver and Winnipeg. This number is constantly being added to as the western public learns more about the absolute purity and real value of the Foley lines of Premier goods and Superba and Canadian Girl chocolates.

FISH NESTS IN SEAWEED.

Sargasso Sea Is Favorite Spot For Breeding.

In the middle of the North Atlantic there is an area of comparatively still water almost equal to continental Europe in extent and more or less covered with floating seaweed. It was known as the Mar De Sargasso to Columbus and the early navigators and is the Sargasso Sea of modern geographers. The floating seaweed was formerly supposed to have grown near

MOTORING DISTANCES.

The following shows the distances from Victoria of different points on:

Alberni, 112 miles.

Colwood, 8 miles.

Cowichan, 25 miles.

Duncan, 40 miles.

Goldstream, 11 miles.

Ladysmith, 28 miles.

Nanaimo, 23 miles.

Shawigan, 25 miles.

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Oils—	
Pratt's Coal Oil	1.45
Eucosene	1.75
Meats—	
Hams (B. C.), per lb.	25
Bacon (B. C.), per lb.	25
Bacon (American), per lb.	30
Bacon (long clear), per lb.	30
Beef, per lb.	18
Pork, per lb.	12
Mutton, per lb.	12
Lamb, hindquarter	1.50
Lamb, forequarter	1.50
Veal, per lb.	12
Butter, per lb.	12
Farm Produce—	
Fresh Island Eggs	40
Butter (Creamery)	40
Lard, per lb.	20
Western Canada Flour Mills	2.00
Purity, per sack	7.75
Purity, per bbl.	1.95
Three Star Patent, per sack	7.75
Three Star Patent, per bbl.	1.95
Hungarian Flour	2.00
Ogilvie's Royal Household,	
per sack	2.00
Ogilvie's Royal Household,	
per bbl.	1.75
Lake of Woods, per sack	2.00
Lake of Woods, per bbl.	1.75
Okanagan, per sack	2.00
Okanagan, per bbl.	1.75
Calgary Hungarian, per sack	2.00
Calgary Hungarian, per bbl.	1.75
Excelsior, per sack	2.00
Excelsior, per bbl.	1.75
Oak Lake, per sack	2.00
Oak Lake, per bbl.	1.75
Hudson's Bay, per sack	2.00
Hudson's Bay, per bbl.	1.75
Enderby, per sack	2.00
Enderby, per bbl.	1.75
Pastry Flour—	
Snowflake, per sack	1.55
Snowflake, per bbl.	1.25
O. K. Best Pastry, per sack	1.75
O. K. Best Pastry, per bbl.	1.45
O. K. Four Star, per sack	1.75
O. K. Four Star, per bbl.	1.45
Drifted Snow, per sack	1.75
Drifted Snow, per bbl.	1.45
Grain—	
Wheat, chicken feed, per ton	35.00
Wheat, per lb.	25
Barley	25
Whole Corn	30.00
Cracked Corn	40.00
Rolls Oats (B. & K.), 30-lb. sk.	1.50
Rolls Oats (B. & K.), 40-lb. sk.	1.50
Rolls Oats (B. & K.), 50-lb. sk.	1.50
Oatmeal, 10-lb. sack	4.50
Oatmeal, 50-lb. sack	2.50
Rolls Wheat, 10 lbs.	65
Cracked Wheat, 10 lbs.	65
Wheat Flakes, per packet	12.00
Whole Wheat Flour, 10 lbs.	45
Graham Flour, 10 lbs.	45
Graham Flour, 50 lbs.	1.75
Feed—	
Hay (baled), new, per ton	20.00
Straw, per bale	75
Middlings, per ton	25.00
Bran, per ton	25.00
Ground Feed, per ton	25.00
Shorts	25.00
Poultry—	
Dressed Poultry, per lb.	25
Ducks, per lb.	25
Geese (Island), per lb.	25
Garden Produce—	
Cabbages, per lb.	1.00
Potatoes (local)	1.00
Onions, per lb.	1.00
Carrots, per lb.	1.00

WHOLESALE MARKETS

Walnuts (Cal.)	5.00
Walnuts (Eastern)	1.00
Cocoanuts, each	10
Ham	20
Bacon	20
Carrots, per lb.	2
Bananas, per lb.	1
Potatoes (local), per ton	15.00
Butter (Creamery)	20.00
Butter (Dairy)	20.00
Eggs (ranch), per doz.	25
Oats, per ton	27.50
Hay, per ton	18.00
Corn, per ton	38.00
Grape Fruit	2.50
Tomatoes (local), per ton	4.50
Watercress, per doz.	2.00
Green Onions, per doz.	25
Radishes, per doz.	30
Cauliflowers, per doz.	1.50
Onions (silver-skin), per lb.	1.75
Onions (local), per lb.	1.25
Valencia Oranges	4.50
Naval Oranges	4.50
Nutmeg Melons, per crate	4.00
Pears (local)	1.50
Egg Plants, per lb.	12
Apples, per box	2.00
Cranberries (New Jersey), bbl.	11.50
Cranberries (local), per bbl.	9.00
Garlic, per lb.	9.00
Celery	9.00
Figs (Smyrna), boxes	1.00
Jap. Oranges, per box	1.00

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A Million for a New Stomach

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With all his money, this multimillion-
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EX-VICTORIAN ON TARIF FREFORM

Hedley Chapman Puts Some Questions to Donald Macmaster, K.C.

Hedley Chapman, who will be re-
membered by many as a former Victori-
an but who for the past seven or eight
years has been living in England, is
an ardent supporter of the Asquith
government and the budget and he has
been attending the public meetings in
his district and putting some pointed
questions to the Unionists advocates of
tariff reform. The Surrey Herald, in its
issue of November 25th, has a long ac-
count of a meeting addressed by Don-
ald Macmaster, who had just returned
from Canada. Mr. Chapman, on the
conclusion of his speech, handed up
a number of type-written questions. To
quote from the report of the proceed-
ings at this point:

The first question was: "How is it
that Tariff Reformers have not cap-
tured any organized body of workers
such as Trade Unionists?" The reply
given by Mr. Macmaster was that tariff
reformers were not out for a game of
that kind. They were not seeking to
capture any whole body of men, but
they were appealing to the common
sense of the people throughout the
country.

The next question was: "Is there any
Protected country where all the work-
ers are fully employed?" "I don't sup-
pose there is," answered Mr. Macmaster.
There were certainly one-third of the
people of this country on the verge of
starvation, but there were more people
employed in Protected countries than
in Free Trade England.

Question number 3 was: "If a 10 per
cent. tariff will not provide work for all
in the United States, how is it that a
10 per cent. tariff is to do it in this
country?"
Mr. Macmaster replied that no one
had ever said that a 10 per cent. tariff
would provide work for all the people
in this country. The suggestion was
that such a tariff would give a great
bulk of the people employment. In the
U. S. the tariff was not 10 per cent.
There was no uniform tariff
there; it varied from a small sum to a
very high sum and if Mr. Chapman
would read the letter which the Ameri-
can Ambassador had addressed to him
(the speaker) some time ago, he would
see that a great deal of the people over
there were well employed and receiving
good wages. Of course, in ports like
New York and Boston, where the im-
migrants were dumped and were not
able to secure employment immedi-
ately, they would find a large amount of
unemployment, but as one went further
west very little unemployment was
seen for those who wished to work.

The next question was to the effect
that if we took 50 millions worth of
goods less from the foreigner and the
foreigner took 50 millions worth of
goods less from what would be the
effect upon the shipping industry of
this country? (A voice: "That is an old
one, sir.")

Mr. Macmaster said that those en-
gaged in the shipping industry were
divided themselves upon the question,
and many were in favor of a revision
of our tariff reform system. With re-
gard to the question itself it was sug-
gesting a state of things that he
thought would never occur.

Mr. Chapman's fifth question was
"What is the reason Germany allows
castings and plates to be imported
free?"
To this Mr. Macmaster replied that
Germany was admittedly a Protected
country and they allowed some articles
to go into their country free. In other
words the Germans would not allow
things which their own people could
make to go in free, but some things
that their workmen could not make
they allowed to enter free.

The sixth question was: "Is it not a
fact that the landowners in the Chert-
sey district practice Free Trade by or-
dering their household goods in Lon-
don instead of locally?" (Laughter.)

Mr. Macmaster (smiling) said that
his friend must draw the distinction if
he meant any inference to be drawn.
He must remember that the people he
spoke of were of one community there.
They were concerned about the tariffs
with foreign countries and not with
themselves. They only wished to change
the condition of tariffs over which they
had no control.

With regard to the next question, Mr.

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to name if my statement is not abso-
lutely correct. (Prolonged cheers.)
Mr. Chapman (pointing to his own
shirt): This is West of England cloth,
and yours is shoddy. (Laughter.)
Mr. Macmaster: I gave him a fair
chance to look at and value the suit,
and now he says it shoddy. (Laughter.)
He has overlooked the whole point, viz.,
that in a Protected country they can
make up good wearing suits and such
as I am proud to wear too.

The other question was: "Will Mr.
Macmaster retract the imputation
made by him at the last meeting that
my remarks on land taxation in Can-
ada were based on falsehood?"
Mr. Macmaster: No, I will not do
anything of the kind. (Cheers.) Instead
of contradicting him at the last meet-
ing I let him go on because I knew that
anyone familiar with land taxation in
Canada would not say a thing as he
did.

Mr. Chapman: You said the state-
ment was based on falsehood.
Mr. Macmaster: Yes, and it is based
on falsehood. The speaker added that if
Mr. Chapman had contradicted the con-
dition in that country, he would have
made up good wearing suits and such
as I am proud to wear too.

The other question was: "Will Mr.
Macmaster retract the imputation
made by him at the last meeting that
my remarks on land taxation in Can-
ada were based on falsehood?"
Mr. Macmaster: No, I will not do

B.C. Protestant Orphans' Home

NOTICE

The annual meeting of subscribers
to the British Columbia Protestant
Orphans' Home will be held in the Coun-
cil Chamber of the City Hall on Tues-
day, the 14th inst., at 4.30 p.m., to re-
ceive reports, elect committee of man-
agement for ensuing term and to
transact such other business as may
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WM. SCOWCROFT, Hon. Sec.
Dec. 10, 1909.

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\$2,500—Large house, John street, near Government street.

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ZINC PROPOSITION

IN NEW YORK HANDS

The Big Ledge Property Has New Owners, Who Will Develop It.

Nelson, Dec. 13.—An important mining transfer is reported on the Arrow lakes by which the Big Ledge mine, near Burton City, passes into the hands of New York capitalists. The deal was put through on December 2nd by Mr. Greenstreet. The Big Ledge is a zinc proposition, and it is claimed that 200,000 tons of ore are in sight, while the mine is described as being practically a quarry proposition. The new interests will put in an aerial tramway. A large gang of men have already gone in to do development work.

The owners of the Bonanza gold mine on Sheep Creek, of whom one was R. B. Bell of Salmo, recently disposed of that property to Vancouver parties, represented by Mr. Oliver. The consideration was in the neighborhood of \$40,000. The Bonanza is a well known claim and its development will be pushed.

J. T. Hillis of Vancouver, who in partnership with S. S. Raymond, now in California, took a two-year bond and lease of the Alma M. gold mine, near this city, from J. J. Malone, William Gossnell, George Matthews, Neil Lovell and John Ostin two months ago, yesterday made an inspection of the property. Mr. Malone accompanying him. The claim is located on a divide at the head of Eagle and Sand creeks, at an elevation of 4,500 feet.

"The work of development on the Alma M. is proceeding satisfactorily," said Mr. Hillis on his return to Nelson, "and no trouble has been experienced. Mr. Ostin is in charge of the work and has four men at present. A crosscut tunnel has been run 125 feet and they expect to catch the lead in the next 50 feet. It is probably the same lead, or at any rate, the same ledge as on the granite mine."

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New Westminster Wish Action Taken to Close Up the Ground.

New Westminster, Dec. 13.—A petition is being circulated around the city praying that the piece of ground known as the Chinese cemetery be no longer used as a cemetery and that the present burying ground there be moved to some other place. The petitioners claim that the land is too valuable to be used for such a purpose, and that its use as a cemetery spoils the value of the adjoining property. The men circulating the petition state that it is being largely signed by men in all parts of the city.

The property in question consists of several acres between Sixth and Eighth streets and Eighth and Tenth avenues. Many years ago it was granted to the city by the colonial government for use as a cemetery, and it has been used as such ever since.

It is thought by those in authority that even if the city wished to move the cemetery from there they would not be able to do so under the terms of the grant. If any action at all is possible it will have to be undertaken on the part of the provincial government.

COWICHAN FARMERS

TO HAVE TWO SHOWS

Agricultural Association's New Executive Gets to Work.

Duncan, Dec. 13.—At a meeting of the Cowichan Agricultural Association consisting of Honorary President, W. H. Hayward; President, H. D. Evans; Ist. Vice-President, R. E. Barkley; 2nd Vice-President, G. H. Hargrove; Secretary-Treasurer, Kenneth Dunn; and committee, A. C. Aitken, H. W. Bevan, W. H. Elkington, D. Evans, John Patterson, P. B. Mathison-Duncan, and Muttar, W. R. Robertson, A. Peterson and L. Solly, the date of the annual dance was set for January 27th.

It was resolved to hold two shows during the coming year, a summer show for dogs, poultry and flowers and the usual annual fall show.

In view of the resignation of the secretary-treasurer, the executive decided to ask for tenders for the position.

In response to a request from the Department of Agriculture, the secretary was appointed a delegate to attend the Agricultural Association Convention on January 31st.

R. C. E. R. EMPLOYEES.

Vancouver, Dec. 13.—A meeting of the employees of the B. C. Electric Railway Company was held in the lecture room at the car barns, Westminster avenue, for the purpose of electing officers of the B. C. Electric Railway Association, the object of the association being to foster and promote the common interests of its members and to advance scientific and practical knowledge in all matters relating to electric light and power companies, and relations with kindred associations and between the members of this association.

H. E. Grant was chosen chairman of the meeting, and after the minutes of the inaugural meeting had been read by the secretary, pro tem, the chairman declared the meeting open for the nomination of officers. The voting resulted in the following gentlemen being elected:

President, R. H. Sperling; president, J. George Lister; vice-president, H. E. Grant; secretary-treasurer, K. B. Ryan; executive committee, D. R. Kennedy, C. Rummel, W. T. Woodroffe, L. G. Robinson.

Mr. Rummel announced that he had been authorized by Mr. Sperling to state that the company was willing to assist the section and would furnish a meeting room.

KAMLOOPS DOES NOT

STAND SIDE-TRACKING

Canadian Northern Must Be Made Run-Through That City.

Kamloops, Dec. 13.—The deputation appointed by the board of trade and city council, consisting of J. Gill, J. Milton and Dr. Wade, representing the board of trade, and Ald. Noble, Taylor and Baynton, the city council, waited upon Premier McBride while he was here. In addition to the appointed delegates, Mayor Robinson, C. W. Hallam, president of the board of trade; E. J. Shewer, J. P. Shaw, M.P.E.-elect; E. Shaw and several other citizens, joined the deputation and assisted in placing before the premier the needs of Kamloops in connection with the Canadian Northern railway.

A copy of the resolution passed at the joint meeting of the board of trade and city council, was submitted to Premier McBride and he was urged to have the final agreement with the C. N. R. made to provide for the actual coming within the city limits of the railway. Every possible argument was used by members of the deputation in urging this action on the part of the government.

The premier, in reply, said he thought the people of Kamloops were needlessly alarmed. He had talked over the matter with Mr. Mann and he was assured that Kamloops would not be in any way neglected or injured when the final plans were agreed to. He realized Kamloops' needs in this regard and he would make it his business to see that everything possible was done to meet their wishes. He could not hold a pistol to the head of the Canadian Northern in this matter but he knew that it was intended to have C. N. R. shops, etc., built here. He assured the deputation that he would do everything in his power to meet their wishes.

Mayor Robinson called the premier's attention to the urgent need of some provision being made for the care of advanced cases of consumption, many of which came to this city and were in indigent circumstances. It was understood that such cases would be looked after. The premier stated that the government had the matter under advisement and no doubt something would be done in the near future. The deputation then withdrew.

NO TRACE OF YOUTH

LOST ON BRIDGE RIVER

Must Have Gone Through the Ice—Mining Prospects Bright.

Lillooet, Dec. 13.—The search party were unable to find any trace of the young man lost on Bridge river, as much snow had fallen. It looks as if the boy had seen some game across the river and had undoubtedly gone through the ice or fallen off one of the bluffs in trying to get up to some mountain sheep which can often be seen from the Big Horn Ranch. The boy must have gone off in a hurry as he seemed to be only half through his breakfast.

Col. Eggleston and son who have bought up a number of river leases on Bridge river, left for the States last stage. Col. Eggleston intends to bring an expert in with him early next Spring and if the property warrants it, he will at once proceed to open up on a very large scale. Col. Eggleston has some very rich men behind him, who are willing to push things. From all reports he should have a very good property, as Bridge River placers have always yielded a lot of gold to the individual prospector and miner, and if worked on a large scale should prove a big dividend payer.

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JAPANESE DYE WORKS, Cleaning, Pressing, Repairing. 1725 Government Street. Phone 2066.

Employment Agencies

THE EMPLOYMENT AGENCY, MRS. F. K. TURNER, 655 (54) Fort St. House 19 to 5. Phone 1532.

JAPANESE, HINDU AND CHINESE EMPLOYMENT OFFICE—All kinds of labor supplied at short notice, general contractor. 1601 Government St. Tel. 1650.

WING ON, 1709 Government. Phone 22

Gravel

B. C. SAND & GRAVEL CO., foot Johnson street, Tel. 1285. Producers of washed and graded sand and gravel, best for concrete work of all kinds, delivered by team to the city, or on scows at p.t. on Royal Bay.

Engravers

GENERAL ENGRAVER, Geo. Crowther, 515 Wharf street, behind Post Office.

Furrier

FRED. POSTER, Taxidermist and Furrier, 423 Johnson street.

Machinists

ARMSTRONG BROS., Machinists. All kinds of general repairing done. Launch engines and automobiles overhauled. 124 Kingston St. Phone 2034.

L. HAFER, General Machinist, No. 120 Government street, Tel. 693.

Ladies' Dresses

JUN LEE & CO., manufacturers of end dealers in dry goods, ladies' suits and cotton underwear. Dresses made to order. Cut flowers for sale, 1004 Douglas (late 1212) Blanchard.

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Fish

WM. J. WIGLESWORTH—All kinds of fresh, salted and smoked fish in season. Free delivery to all parts of city. 515 Johnson St. Phone R352.

Junk

WANTED—Scrap brass, copper, zinc, lead, cast-iron, and all kinds of bottles and rubber; highest cash prices paid. Victoria Junk Agency, 1200 Store street. Phone 1355.

Landscape Gardener

E. J. LAING, Landscape and Jobbing Gardener. Tree pruning and spraying a specialty. Residence, 1009 Pandora Ave. Phone L487. Office, Wilkerson & Brown's Greenhouse, corner Cook and Fort streets.

Merchant Tailors

FRASER & MORRISON, successors to J. McCurrah. Highest grade of serge and worsteds, altering and pressing. Pioneer Building, corner Cook and Broad St., Victoria, B. C.

Optician

OVER A QUARTER OF A CENTURY'S EXPERIENCE in the fitting of eyeglasses is at the service of my patrons. No charge for examination. Lenses ground on the premises. A. P. Blyth, 645 Fort street. Phone 2252.

Painter and Decorator

OSTLER & IMPET, Painters and General Decorators. Rooms papered and painted on the shortest notice. Write or call at Ostler, 1003 Columbia Ave.; or Impet, 1770 Fairfield road.

Patents

FOR PARTICULARS about patents, send for booklet. Ben. B. Fannett, Ottawa, Ontario.

Pawnshop

MONEY LOANED on diamonds, jewelry and personal effects. B. C. Aaronson, cor. Johnson and Broad Sts.

Photographs, Maps, Etc.

REAL ESTATE AGENTS AND OTHERS To insure quick sales of properties should get them photographed by FLEMING BROS. Maps and plans copied for blue printed. Engravings from films or prints to any size. Finishing and supplies for amateurs. Kodaks for sale or hire. PHONE 105A, 554 GOVERNMENT ST.

Plumbing and Heating

HEATING AND PLUMBING—J. Warner & Co., Ltd., 831 Flanagan street, above Blanchard street. Phone L270; residence, 1878.

Pottery Ware, Etc.

SEWER PIPE, Field Tile, Ground Fire Clay, Fire Bricks, etc. B. C. Pottery Co., Ltd., corner Broad and Pandora streets, Victoria, B. C.

Scavenging

JOHN PRIOR, Scavenger. Leave orders at Empire Clear Store, 1112 Douglas street. Phone 21.

WING ON, 1709 Government street. Phone 22.

VICTORIA SCAVENGING CO.—Office, 121 Yates street. Phone 52. Ashes and garbage removed.

Second-Hand Goods

BUTLER & SONS—Second-hand goods, dealer in second-hand furniture, stoves, books, etc., 301 Yates, corner Quadra. Tel. R1525.

WANTED—Old coats and vests, pants, boots and shoes, trunks, valises, shotguns, revolvers, overcoats, etc. Highest cash prices paid. Will call at any address. Jacob Aaronson's new and second-hand store, 22 Johnson street, six doors below Government St. Phone 174.

Stump Puller

STUMP PULLER—Made in 3 sizes, for sale or for hire; contracts for stump pulling. D. J. Duce, 606 Burnside road, Victoria. Phone A171.

Tentmakers

JOHN & SONS, makers of tents, oil clothing, camp furniture. Warehouse, 520 Johnson St. Phone 755.

Truck and Dray

PHONE 1923 FOR JEPSON TRANSFER—Trucking and Expressing. Yates St. above Broad street. Orders at Acton's, telephone 1061. Residence, 21 Michigan street.

TRUCKING—Quick service, reasonable charges. I. Walsh & Sons, Baker's Feed Store, 120 Yates street.

VICTORIA TRUCK AND DRAY CO.—Telephone 11. Stable Phone 172.

Turkish Baths

221 FORT ST.—Phone 1355. Will be open till 11 p.m. Ladies' days: Mondays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Swedish massage.

Watch Repairing

A. PETCH, 59 Douglas street. Specialty of English watch repairing. All kinds of clocks and watches repaired.

Y. W. C. A.

FOR THE BENEFIT of young women in or out of employment. Rooms and board. A home from home. 942 Pandora avenue.

Floor Sweeping Compound, Etc.

DISTLESS WAXINE—For floors, tiles, linoleums and carpets. 25 lbs., \$1. Ambrose Floor Oil, \$1 per gallon; Tylene Soap, removes dirt quickly from any surface. E. H. cans, 46c. Acome Mela Polish, sample pint cans, 25c. Special prices for quantities. Ask for free samples. The Imperial Waxine Co., 1602 Douglas St. (next City Hall). Travellers wanted and lady canvassers. Call from 6 to 9 p.m.

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Agents Wanted

MEN WANTED in every locality in Canada to make \$20 per week and \$5 per day expenses advertising our goods, posting up showcards in all conspicuous places, and securing orders. No experience required. Write for particulars. Royal Remedy Co., London, Ont., Canada.

For Rent—Houses

FOR RENT—Modern 6 roomed cottage, 1063 Meats street. d15

THE BOOM IS ON—List your property now at the right price for quick sale. N. B. MaySmith & Co., Ltd., Mahon Bldg.

TO LET—Small furnished cottage. Apply 1023 Quadra street. d16

LIST YOUR HOUSES and rooms for rent with us. We have many inquiries. Thompson & Co., "The Exchange," Fort street. d14

TO RENT—Furnished house, 1 room, kitchen, bath and bath. Apply owner, 1151 View street. d16

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WE ARE REVISOR our old property lists and listing new properties for our advertising campaign, which will commence Monday, Dec. 13th. List your property now. We have established a temporary listing office at the old Tourist Association's Rooms on Fort street. N. B. MaySmith & Co., Ltd.

FOR RENT—1 roomed house, with large garden and stable, on Yates street, between Vancouver and Quadra, \$25 per month. Gillespie & Hart, 1151 View street. d15

FURNISHED COTTAGES TO LET, with electric light, bath and cold water. Apply to Mrs. M. R. Smith, Sea View, 104 Dallas road. d17

For Sale—Acreage

GORGE—5 acres on the Gorge, suitable for 400-division, near Victoria Gardens; price \$1,200 per acre. N. B. MaySmith & Co., Ltd., Mahon Bldg.

TRANSIT ROAD, Shoal Bay, a half acre lot, price \$100, near and car line. N. B. MaySmith & Co., Ltd., Mahon Bldg.

FOR SALE—Section 25, Highlands District, 100 acres, crown granted, 60 acres good bottom land, fishing lake on property, good hunting; price \$2,500. Write to Mrs. M. R. Smith, Sea View, 104 Dallas road. d17

LIST YOUR PROPERTY with us now and take advantage of our big advertising campaign commencing Monday, December 13th. Our listing office is located in the old Tourist Association's Rooms, Fort street. Sales office, Rooms 4 and 6, Mahon Bldg. N. B. MaySmith & Co., Ltd.

FOR EXCHANGE—1 section wheat land, fenced, 30 acres broke, 4 miles from good town, 23 from siding, for 20-acre good improved farm in Southern Vancouver Island; must be near school. Box 202, Tofield, Alta. d16

ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY ACRES for sale in Highlands District, close to mountain lakes, log house, beside stream which never goes dry; good hunting and fishing; suitable for chicken and turkeys; timbered; \$1,200. Box 606, Times Office. d17

WANTED—To buy, prairie land in exchange for Victoria home containing 5 acres of land, mixed little with rocks and good timber, suitable for chicken and turkeys, only 23 miles from city, new 6 roomed cottage, large barn, chicken house, and turkey pen, and plenty of land all over the place, plenty of fuel, land all enclosed. Apply to P. O. Box 85, Victoria. d16

For Sale—Articles

LIST YOUR PROPERTY with us now if the price is right. We are doing business for the sale of second-hand goods, and we will place them in our next ad. N. B. MaySmith & Co., Ltd., Mahon Bldg.

BEING CALLED HOME, I must sell my business, and prefer teaching new arrival; a splendid opportunity for capable woman; will take \$50 down and terms. Box 884, Times. d17

NEARLY NEW oak roll top office desk and swing chair, cost \$70. The Exchange, 718 Fort street. d16

XMAS PRESENTS—A chance to obtain your Xmas gifts at your own price. Selling at half price. Attention also every Saturday afternoon 2 to 4 p.m. Alaska Bazaar, 1120 Government street.

FOR SALE—Tools, guns, clothing, fur, etc. at a sacrifice. 1003 Yates St., cor. of Vancouver St. Pantages Theatre.

GREENHOUSES, flat bottom boats, long ladders, meat safes, and all houses in stock and made to order. Joseph Capital Carpenter and Jobbing Factory, 1003 Yates St., cor. of Vancouver St.

FOR SALE—Gents' gold filled chains, \$2.50; ladies' gold earrings, \$2.50; locket, eight brilliant, with necklace, \$2.50; English gold watch, with chain, \$2.50; lady's engraved ring, \$2.50; boys' new watches, \$1.50. All goods neatly packed for Christmas. Jacob Aaronson's new and second-hand store, 22 Johnson St., 6 doors below Government, Victoria, B. C. Phone 174.

FOR ALTERATIONS, repairs and jobbing, call on J. W. Holden, carpenter and jobber, corner Fort and Quadra. Tel. L1270.

CHOICE YIP DOORS, sash, mouldings, etc., at lowest prices. Moore & Whittington, Yates street.

FOR SALE—One first-class cow, newly calved; ten small pigs; also buggies, light wagons, horses and harness. Apply to L. J. J. Flaherty, Carriage Shop, 404 Discovery, or Mitchell street, Oak Bay.

For Sale—Livestock

FOR SALE—A first calved Jersey cow, also Joseph Bland, next door Halfway House, Esquimalt road. Phone M3084. d15

FOR SALE—Pure bred Rhode Island Red cockerels. Apply J. R. Smith, Cor. Mainus, B. C. d16

FIRST-CLASS TEAM FOR SALE, \$500; also cheaper team. Holl, cor. Bridge and David. d15

FOR SALE—Cheap, better, eighteen months old. Address P. O. Box 42.

FOR SALE—H. M. Walker, \$153 Delta street. Phone A174.

Help Wanted—Male

WANTED—Stripper, boy or girl, at once. Andy V. I. Cigar Factory, Johnson St. d17

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FOR XMAS HEALTH AND JOLLITY

SPECIAL BRANDY FOR BURNING—For "Snapdragon" round the Christmas Pudding you need Brandy that will keep all after, this "special" brandy in all styles. Per pint bottle \$1.00
 COOKING BRANDY, per bottle, \$1.00 and 50c
 COOKING SHERRY, per bottle, 50c 50c
 FINE RUM, per bottle, \$1.00 and 75c
 WATSON'S NO. 10 SCOTCH, per bottle \$1.25
 BLUE FUNNEL SCOTCH, per bottle \$1.25
 NATIVE PORT WINE, per bottle, 50c and 25c
 CALIFORNIA PORT, per bottle, 75c and 50c
 LYONS PORT, per bottle, \$1.50 and \$1.00
 VICTORIA PHOENIX BEER, per doz. pints, 90c; doz. quarts \$1.75
 SILVER SPRING ALE AND STOUT, dozen pints, 90c; dozen quarts \$1.75

OUR PRIZE PACKAGE FOR TO-DAY

THREE FOUNDS FINEST MEDITERRANEAN SULTANAS for 25c
 To-day we give a discount of ten per cent. on all Bon-Bon Crackers and Xmas Tree Decorations.

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Independent Grocers. Tels. 50, 51, 52 and 1590. 1317 Government St.

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BRASSWARE AND NOV. TIES
 25c to \$10
 A good combination—New Books and Library. Chairs made of Rush and Bamboo

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Furniture

Cooking and Heating Stoves Incubators, etc.

Stewart Williams & Co.

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HOLD WEEKLY SALES AT THEIR ROOMS.

Sales held at private residences by arrangement.
 City agents for the Atlas Assurance Co., of London, England.

For Sale Privately

Several pieces of old English Furniture; Mathematical Instruments; "Stanley" African Karos; very fine Camera; Onyx and Enamel Swiss Clock; almost new Piano Music Cabinet; English Saddle; 2 Overmantels; very good Parlor Suite, etc.

Stewart Williams, the Auctioneer

Maynard & Son

AUCTIONEERS

Having removed to Salesroom, 1314 BROAD STREET, for convenience of Sale, we will sell on

FRIDAY, 2 p. m.

ELEGANT OAK

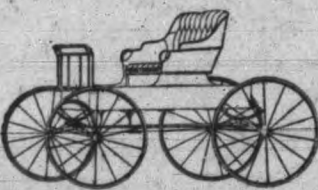
Furniture and Effects

Cabinet Grand Upright Piano
 By Haynes Bros.
 This is a splendid lot of furniture. Full particulars later.

MAYNARD & SON, AUCTIONEERS

—W. E. Oliver will deliver an election address to support of his candidature for mayor in the South Park school to-morrow night at 8 o'clock.

—The W. A. of St. Paul's church, Esquimalt, will hold their Christmas sale Tuesday, December 14th, at the rectory from 3 to 10 p. m. Admission to concert in evening, 10 cents.



Dominion Carriages

FIRST IN QUALITY
 LATEST IN DESIGN
 BEST IN FINISH

B. C. HARDWARE COMPANY, LTD.

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For Epicurean Xmas Guests

You will need something out of the ordinary such as these—
 Olives, stuffed and plain.
 Mushrooms, white and black.
 Artichoke, fronds.
 French Peas and Beans.
 Fresh Vegetables, an endless variety here.

Finest Fruits, domestic and foreign.
 Apples, a fine display; special values.
 Chestnuts, White-Meat Walnuts.

BON-BONS AND XMAS STOCKINGS.

The West End Grocery Co., Ltd.

1002 GOVERNMENT ST.

Tels. 88 and 1761.

EARLY HISTORY OF WEST COAST

SPANISH OCCUPATION OF VANCOUVER ISLAND

Captain Walbran Reads an Interesting Paper Before Local Society.

Every chair was filled at the Natural History Society's room last night in the Carnegie library building, the occasion being the delivery of a lecture by Captain Walbran on the Spanish occupation of Vancouver Island. For over an hour the captain pictured to his audience the visits made to Nootka and other West Coast points, and illustrated his narrative with a fund of anecdotes and Indian legends which added much to the interest of the talk.

The burden of the lecture was to show that Spain did not discover Nootka Sound, as often alleged, and that in the rivalry claims when the final settlement was made neither side held very closely to the truth.

Juan Perez was the first visitor to this part of the world coming from the south. He sailed up the coast in the corvette Santiago in 1774, going as far north as Dixon Entrance and anchoring off Esquimalt Point, eighteen miles from Nootka, although, according to reliable evidence, he did not find the entrance to that inlet.

The next visitor was Captain Quadra in 1775. His schooner was but 36 feet long with a 14-foot beam.

Captain Cook came next in 1778 with the Resolution and Discovery. He named Cape Flattery, but stated in his journal that the Straits of Juan de Fuca did not exist. He went on north and entered Nootka Sound. After spending some time there and collecting a cargo of valuable furs he sailed for China, leaving Dr. John McKay to spend a year or two with the Indians.

Captain Hanna came in a small vessel in 1785 and carried away a large cargo of valuable furs. It was 1788, however, before Captain Meares arrived and purchased a small plot of land near Friendly Cove.

Captain Barkley's voyage was made a year before, he arriving in the Imperial Eagle and carrying away what was probably the most valuable cargo taken from this Coast. He also took Dr. John McKay back to Scotland.

Then came Don Estevan Jose Martinez in 1791, who took possession of Nootka on behalf of the Spaniards. He remained there and captured the ships as they entered the harbor. Among the vessels taken was the sloop Princess Royal, and it was taken round to what is now Esquimalt, in 1791, being the first vessel that ever sailed into that harbor.

On the demand of William Pitt in England the ships and territory were relinquished by Spain, and Vancouver was sent to take possession, while Captain Quadra had the work of handing them over. They could not agree on what was to be relinquished, but they agreed to differ, and a later message received after Quadra left gave Britain everything north of the Straits of Juan de Fuca, the Spanish flag being hoisted down in 1795.

The paper will prove a valuable contribution to the history of the Island and will undoubtedly be among the papers published by the society at the close of the season.

The committee on the juvenile court consists of Mrs. Jenkins, Mrs. Toller and Mrs. Hardie; on the delinquent school for girls, Mrs. Gordon Grant, Mrs. Wm. Grant and Mrs. B. Grant; Mrs. Andrews and Mrs. Grant were appointed to draw up a protest against bookmaking on the fair grounds, and Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. McKicking and Mrs. Dickinson to carry out the resolution against the high steps on the fair grounds.

The national standing committees were appointed as follows: Protection of women and children, deferred; objectionable printed matter, Mrs. Andrews; aged and infirm, Miss Lawson; Immigration, Mrs. Perrin; national press committee, Mrs. Hasell; agriculture, Mrs. Watt; citizenship, Mrs. Gordon Grant; white slave traffic, Mrs. Mitchell; peace and arbitration, Mrs. Hay; public health, Mrs. (Dr.) Ryan; education, Mrs. Jenkins; feeble minded, Mrs. Gould; supervised playgrounds, deferred. The reporting for the local press was placed in the hands of Miss Lawson and Mrs. Walker.

Mrs. Spofford asked whether the work left over from one year to another without being completed should be dropped, and whether the committees should consider themselves discharged. It was decided that no work was to be dropped till the end was attained or found impossible.

Mrs. Williscroft moved and Mrs. Perrin seconded that all committees should hold themselves responsible for the work given them, till formally discharged, and this carried.

The resolutions relating to the speed of motors, that on the local status of women and the one asking that an inspector be appointed to carry out the sanitary regulations of factories and shops were left in the hands of the legislative committee, consisting of Mrs. Day, Mrs. Cooper, Mrs. Jenkins and Mrs. Spofford.

Mrs. Jenkins brought up the matter of the adoption of the report of Mrs. Day on the session of the National Council which had under consideration the duties of the provincial vice-president, left over from last meeting.

After some discussion it was decided to discuss the report at a special meeting to be held early in January.

It was resolved on motion of Mrs. Spofford, seconded by Mrs. Perrin, that life membership certificates should be obtained for Mrs. Day, Miss Crease, Mrs. Gordon Grant and any others who had recently received the honor, and that these should be presented on some appropriate occasion.

Mrs. Pittgibon moved and Mrs. Savory seconded that the resolution passed at the last meeting conveying the thanks of the council for hospitality and expressing regret at her departure from Government House should be presented to Mrs. Dunsinuir in the form of an illuminated scroll. This was carried.

The treasurer's report showed a balance of \$108.13, and a number of bills, chiefly for expenses incurred at the annual meeting, were ordered paid.

It was decided to obtain a proper ballot box for use at annual meetings.

Start Holiday Shopping To-day

THERE is great mutual convenience and satisfaction gained through shopping early. Time was when the greater portion of the Christmas shopping was crowded into the few days immediately preceding the great holiday, but this season there has been a marked tendency in the direction of early Christmas shopping.

This store is ready for the holiday business—better prepared than ever before. So, why not early shopping? Stocks are complete and the choice much better than it can possibly be at a later date. Then there is the great comfort of shopping at your leisure and not in the big rush.

Let your gift be practical—nothing more so than furniture. And here you'll find the greatest collection of suitable gift pieces in furniture ever offered Victorians. Pleased to see you to-day.

Special Values in Framed Artist's Proofs at \$4.00

SIGNED COPIES OF MAUDE EARL'S FAMOUS DOG PAINTINGS—ALL DIFFERENT.

OF COURSE you have seen and admired that painting, "What we have we hold." Here are 25 signed artists' proofs by the same artist—Maude Earl. And these represent "dog life." Each one is different, depicting a different dog in each instance. These are the handsomest line we have ever seen and the fact that they have merited the approval of the artist to the extent that she has signed each should be sufficient to bring you in to see them.

An ideal gift for a lover of dogs—and the fact that there are but 25—all different—should make them doubly desirable, there not being any possibility of duplication. We have specially priced these and offer you great value at \$4.00

Send Home a Library Table. An Ideal Gift Piece

IF you want to send home a gift that every member of the family will enjoy—send a Library Table. Such a furniture piece adds greatly to the appearance of the home, and at the same time serves a most useful purpose. It matters not what the other furniture or furnishings may be, we have table styles that'll "match." All the popular woods and finishes are offered and in a great variety of designs.

Come in and let us show you the creations in golden oak finish, polished golden oak, Early English finished oak, mahogany, etc. Styles will please you, as also will the prices, for we have them from \$12

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THE IDEAL GIFT

CHARMING, indeed, are the exquisite bits of imported China that may be purchased for very little money and the most acceptable to the recipient.

Your lady friend's china closet is yearning for just such pieces as we are now showing—pieces selected with extreme care from the best offerings of the best factories in several countries. Nowhere is the variety of little-priced gifts so abundant as here but withal we advise that you purchase early—early in the day and early in the week. Come in while the best is to be had.

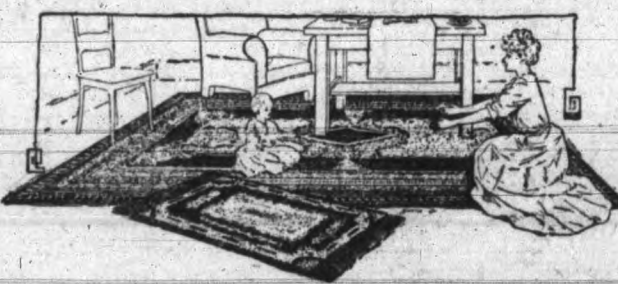
And while in don't miss the offerings of the silverware department. We have never before offered such magnificent pieces.



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AXMINSTER SQUARES—FAMOUS CROSSLEY BRAND

We have a full range of sizes in these and have them in pretty floral and oriental effects. Colors include many charming shades in greens and fawns. Great values.

6 ft. x 9 ft.	\$21	7 ft. 6 in. x 9 ft.	\$ 27
9 ft. x 10 ft. 6 in.	\$37	9 ft. x 12 ft.	\$42
10 ft. 6 in. x 12 ft.	\$50	10 ft. 6 in. x 13 ft. 6 in.	\$55

CROSSLEY CREATIONS IN VELVET SQUARES

Some handsome effects in these—light floral effects suitable for either parlor or dining room. Light fawns and greens.

9 ft. x 10 ft. 6 in.	\$24	9 ft. x 12 ft.	\$27.50
10 ft. 6 in. x 12 ft.	\$32	12 ft. x 13 ft. 6 in.	\$42

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This is a beautiful carpet. An Axminster with an unusually heavy pile. A thick, heavy carpet that'll rival Orientals in wearing qualities. Rich oriental effects you'll like.

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IF YOU have a friend fond of books, or a young friend who does some studying at home, send a lamp. There's nothing in the artificial light line that can equal the light of the oil lamp. Doctors agree that it is the most restful of all.

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to prevent the possibility of any irregularities.

Letters were read from Miss May R. Lawson and Miss Crease thanking the council for honors done them.

Speaking at a public meeting at Ham-mersmith town hall in connection with the forward movement of the Church of England Temperance Society, the Lord-mayor

Chief Justice (Lord Alverstone) said that from his 30 years' legal experience 90 per cent. of the crimes committed in England could be traced to over-indulgence in drink. He believed in the reduction of public houses, and wanted to see the public house made more of a refreshment room to the temperate man than the drinking place of the drunken